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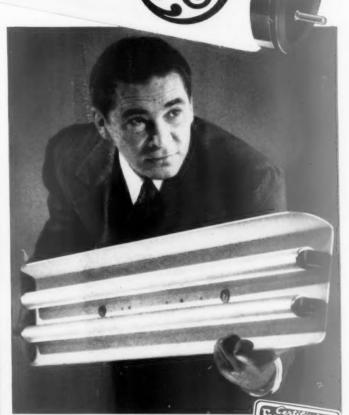
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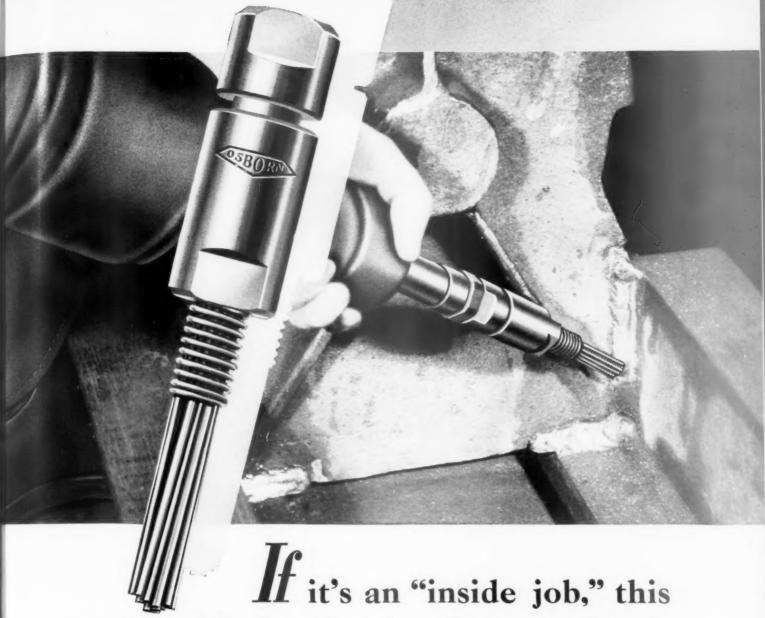
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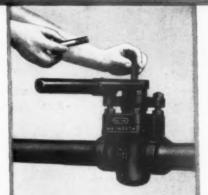
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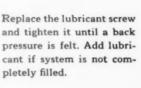
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Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp., Oliver Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Contents: Features "Pluramelt" as a logical means of conserving chromium and nickel, yet at the same time having an exposed steel surface of stainless steel. In the single armor product, a slab of plain steel is integrally bonded on one side with a stainless steel 20% of its thickness. The double armor product has a similar bond of stainless steel on two sides. By using plain steel for the unexposed interior of the slabs, a large amount of critical chromium and nickel is saved. Circular gives full information about Pluramelt products.

2-Welding Products

American Manganese Steel Div., The American Brake Shoe & Foundry Co., Chicago Heights, Ill.

Contents: Describes Amsco welding products, such as rods of various kinds, filler and flux, and shows by many photographs with suitable text how the use of these products has saved companies time and money in repairing their equipment. Hardfacing applications are stressed, and a table showing what rod to use for various types of jobs. Bulletin No. 941-W

3-Hand Trucks

The American Pulley Company, Philadelphia, Pa.

Contents: This 20-page catalog features a wide variety of hand trucks for all kinds of use. These range from general utility trucks to barrel, cotton, railroad, stevedore, clamp, cannery, paper roll and carboy trucks. Included are single-handle models, carboy tilters and drum cradles. One section is devoted to truck parts, such as wheels, bearings, hub caps, etc. Photographs and description of each model is given, and complete speci-

fications are listed for each size. Book gives a comprehensive coverage of the two-wheel hand trucks. Catalog T-41.

4-Metal Cutting Saws

American Saw & Mfg. Co., Springfield, Massachusetts.

Contents: A 32-page, comprehensive catalog on "Lenox" band saw and hack saw blades, which includes useful information about the proper use of saw blades. Discussion ranges from the care with which these blades are manufactured, to a complete description of each type of blade and its uses. Instructive sections give the causes and remedies of hack saw and band saw blade troubles. Catalog No. 42,

5-Recessed Head Screws

American Screw Co., Providence, R. I.

Contents: Folder explains the advantages and uses of Phillips Plus-Sign head screws. Among the advantages claimed are increased production, safe speed, fewer accidents, simplified design, etc. Photographs show examples of each advantage and several uses. Also shown are types of screw drivers and power bits for use with these screws. 8-pages.

6-Abrasive Wheels and Shapes

Bay State Abrasive Products Co., West-boro, Mass.

Contents: An instructive book giving useful information about abrasive grains, wheels and shapes. Explains Bay State wheel markings and tells how to select the right wheel for each type of job. Photographs show not only wheels and various abrasive shapes, but many of the products in actual use. A comparative grade chart gives approximate grade comparisons between wheels made by many manufacturers.

7—Oilstone Files

Behr-Manning Corporation, Div. of Norton Company, Troy, New York.

Contents: A folder devoted to oilstone files of all grades, sizes and shapes. The great variety of shapes that these useful tools are available in, are shown by very clear photographs. Tables list the grades, sizes and prices for each style. A very useful folder for the plant using oilstones in their work, and for all tool makers, die makers, master mechanics and instrument or model makers.

8—Production Totalizers

Durant Manufacturing Company, 1959 N. Buffum St., Milwaukee, Wis.

Contents: Four-page circular features several types of "productimeters" for automatically tabulating number of operations or products passing along a con-

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9-Air Conditioning Units

Carrier Corporation, Syracuse, N. Y.

Contents: Four 2-page bulletins each feature a self-contained weathermaker for use in commercial establishments requiring duct distribution. Each of these combines in one factory-assembled unit all the functions of true air conditioning. Each type is fully described and a drawing shows all dimensions.

10-Machine Saw Attachments

Continental Machines, Inc., 1301 Washington Ave., South, Minneapolis, Minn.

Contents: Features numerous attachments of various types for "Doall" band saws machines. Attachments include saw lubricator, auxiliary work tables, cut-off and mitering devices, guides, supply cabinets, magnifying glasses, etc. Photographs of each item are shown. Prices and sizes are given. 6-page folder.

11—Insulating Varnishes and Compounds

John C. Dolph Company, 168 Emmett St., Newark, N. J.

Contents: An interesting book about many kinds of insulating varnishes and other compounds. The properties and uses of each item are discussed. Products discussed include baking and air drying varnishes, oilproof and machinery enamels, lacquers and insulating compounds for particular purposes. 8½" x 11", 40 pages.

12-Direct Fired Heaters

Dravo Corp., 300 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh.

Contents: Discusses the construction features, applications and proper installation of several types of gas and oil-fired heaters. Diagrams show the method of laying out different systems, proper spotting of outlets, etc. Photographs supplement the drawings to show actual installations. 8½″ x 11″, 12 pages.

13-Low Temperature Welding

Eutectic Welding Alloys, Inc., 40 Worth St., New York City, N. Y.

Contents: Describes the low temperature welding process with Castolin eutectic alloys. Discusses alloy rods and gives information about fabricating machine parts, replacing castings, forgings and stampings, and doing salvage work on defective castings, as well as on parts of aluminum, bronze, nickel and other metals. 8½″ x 11″, 32 pages.

14-Machine Tools

Ex-Cell-O Corporation, 1200 Oakman Blvd., Detroit, Mich.

Contents: Shows photographs of the company's numerous products, and the men at work in the plant making these products. Also a list of sales representatives and double-page map showing the relation of the company's field staff to the centers where war products are being made. There is likewise a two-page article of educational value about single and multi-point cutting tools for mass production. 16 pages.

15—Crucible Melting Furnaces

Fisher Furnace Company, 1740 N. Kolmar Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Contents: Features a line of stationary crucible melting furnaces for melting copper, brass, bronze, nickel alloys, aluminum and other non-ferrous alloys, gray iron and gray iron alloys. Furnaces are oil or gas fired. Includes data on silicon carbide linings, furnace cement, fuel oil pumps, oil pressure gages, oil pressure relief valves, oil strainers, tongs, etc. 8½" x 11", 8 pages.

16-Floor Treatment Product

Flexrock Company, 2319 Manning Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Contents: A 4-page bulletin describes "colorflex-plus," a new kind of floor treatment that cleans, colors and preserves wood or concrete floors, either old or new. Colorful illustrations indicate the striking appearance that this product will give. A complete discussion of its use and method of application is briefly presented.

17—Standard Tools and Blanks

Carboloy Co., Inc., 11191 E. 8-Mile Blvd., Detroit, Mich.

Contents: An 8-page catalog covers its line of standard tools with new prices effective January 1, 1942. Covers all styles and types of standard tools offered, and includes drawings and tables showing major specifications and tool angles. Also includes a considerable number of typical adaptations by which these standard tools can be rapidly converted to special machining requirements. Catalog No. GT-140.

18—Rotary Air Pumps and Compressors

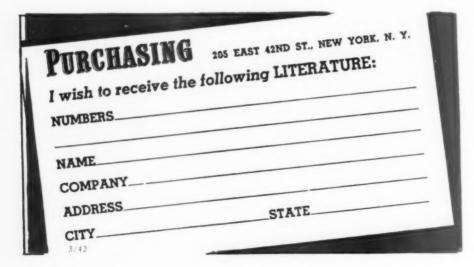
Gast Manufacturing Corporation, Benton Harbor, Mich.

Contents: Contains concise data on the Company's augmented line designed to meet the needs of war production. In addition to illustrations and detailed descriptions of the various models, the catalog presents specifications, engineering data and performance table for 10 sizes of rotary air pumps, ½ to 23 cfm, vacuum 28" and pressures up to 30 lbs. A section of photographs and descriptions covers many actual applications in industry,

19—Shipping Containers

General Box Company, 48 W. Illinois St., Chicago, Ill.

Contents: This 12-page booklet is filled with helpful information about how manufacturers of various types of prod-



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ucts are solving their shipping problems. Numerous photographs and text show how engineered containers help conserve man-hours, break shipping room bottlenecks, reduce shipping charges, eliminate loss and damage claims, and often lower the original container costs.

20—Lighting and Lamps

General Electric Co., Lamp Dept., Nela Park, Cleveland, Ohio.

Contents: An interesting discussion on how light can help win the war, by H. Freeman Barnes, of G.E. Gives many examples of how better light improved the production and workmanship of manufacturers, and tells what a slight increase in production, possible through better lighting, means in battleships, tanks and airplanes.

21—Inkless Strip-Chart Recorders General Electric Company, Schenectady

Contents: Describes inkless voltmeters. ammeters and other instruments. Among the advantages claimed are no ink to clog or spill, evaporate or blur; no drying problem where humidity is high, and will operate in temperatures as low as -10 degrees F. or as high as 120 degrees F. Photographs and sample chart recordings are included.

22-Special Purpose Belts

L. H. Gilmer Company, Tacony, Philadelphia, Pa.

Contents: A comprehensive and instructive book about special purpose belts, including the following classifications: high speed, fabric, special endless, round endless, planer, V-belts and "kabel kord" belts. Complete data on construction, use, selection and care of each type is given, together with photographs of the belt material and actual installations of the belts. Useful tables and formulas pertaining to belt selection are included.

23—Tire User's Handbook

The B. F. Goodrich Co., Akron, Ohio.

Contents: A 100-page booklet providing new data on obtaining maximum service from truck tires. One special section of the book gives charts and tables stressing the value of proper inflation and loads, the dangers in over- and underinflation, mis-matching of dual tires, causes of uneven tread wear, and the effect of overloads and excessive speeds in generating heat, prime enemy of rubber. Many useful tables to aid in figuring loads and other factors.

24—Short Center Belt Drives

Graton & Knight Co., Worcester, Mass.

Contents: A comprehensive discussion of short center, pivoted-motor base leather belt drives, featuring their reliability, performance, low maintenance and economy. The book is full of useful engineering information about these drives. Includes tables to facilitate belt selection, recommended pulley sizes and numerous diagrams showing various types of installation. One entire section is made up of photographs and descriptive text about actual installations. This latter section may be had showing either Rockwood Pivoted Base or American Pulley Tension-Controlled Drives. Reader should indicate which section he wants included.

Contents: Guide to specifying and purchasing non-ferrous and stainless steel bolts, nuts, screws, rivets, washers and accessories. The book is devoted to fastenings of brass, bronze, everdur, monel

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metal and stainless steel. Included are numerous tables of weights, chemical properties, mechanical properties and standard dimensions. Printed in 4 colors, so as to give the various alloys a natural appearance. Book is 6" x 9" in

25—Guide for Fastening Users H. M. Harper Company, 2006 Fletcher

size, with 80 pages.

26—Photo-Copying Machines

Hunter Electro-Copyist, Inc., Syracuse.

Contents: Features several models of large photo-copying machines. The largest can handle work up to 36" x 88", and the smallest work up to 10" x 16". Large photographs are shown of each of the three models. 8 page folder.

27—Portable Demagnetizers

Ideal Commutator Dresser Company. Sycamore, Illinois.

Contents: One-page circular features a device designed to quickly demagnetize work held in magnetic chucks, tools, dies, etc. It operates on 115 volts, 50-60 cycles, weighs 17 lbs. and is equipped with indicating light.

28—Carbon Tool Steel

Jessop Steel Company, Washington, Pa.

Contents: Discusses the properties and uses of Jessop "Lion Extra" carbon tool steel, an intermediate grade of carbon tool steel useful for making many types of tools. Included is a complete description of hot working and heat treatment, with critical range diagrams, and a list of the recommended tempers for the steel when used for various tools.

29—Industrial Safety Products

Kimball Safety Products Co., 7314 Wade Park Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

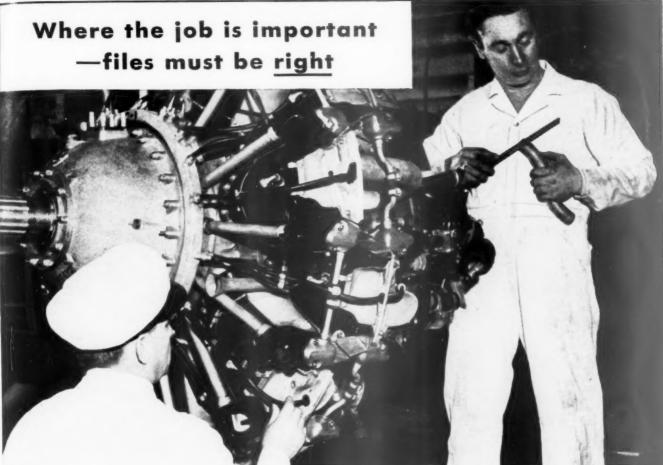
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30—Laminated Shims

Laminated Shim Co., Glenbrook, Conn.

Contents: Features their "Laminum" shim which is composed of brass laminations alternating with lavers of metal-

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31—CO² Recording Equipment

Leeds & Northrup Company, 4934 Stenton Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

Contents: This 16-page catalog describes the recent improvements in Micromax CO2 recording equipment. Covers such features as the use of heavy-walled glass tubing, three-way checking cock made of glass, and the fact that the flue gas sample comes in contact only with glass from the time it leaves the stack until it is automatically analyzed. Contains full size reproductions in color of round and strip-chart records and illustrations of installations.

32—Wire Rope Information

Macwhyte Company, 2918 Fourteenth Ave., Kenosha, Wis.

Contents: This 4-page circular contains a wealth of useful information about wire rope. Stressed are numerous ways to get more use from wire rope and to conserve it by proper application. Photographs show correct and incorrect ways of handling rope, and a sample record form is shown that can be used to advantage to record a complete history of the rope being used in a plant. A question and answer section answers several pertinent questions about wire rope.

33—Cleaning of Hands

Magnus Chemical Co., Garwood, N. J. Contents: A 24-page technical bulletin covering the care and cleaning of hands and arms in the industrial plant. It is written for use by safety engineers, industrial physicians, plant superintendents and other plant men interested in the control of industrial dermatoses. A few of the subjects covered included what a cleaner should and should not do, safe detergents and scouring agents, germicides and medicants, lime scums and rising, cleaning routines and the protection of hands and arms.

34—Butterfly Valves

R-S Products Corporation, 4530 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

Contents: Features standard and special butterfly valves for the control and tight shut-off of air, gas, steam, liquids and semi-solids under high and sub-zero temperatures and varying pressures from 2 to 300 psi. Contains performance characteristics under all conditions of service, manual and automatic control. specifications, flow charts and a discussion and illustration of the use of bronze, steel, meehanite, molybdenum and other metals for special conditions. including solenoid emergency service. Also includes an explanation of wedgetight shut-off by means of accurate machining and the angle of closing of the butterfly vane against the body of the valve. Cat. No. 10-B.

35-Wood Split Pulleys

The Medart Company, 3539 DeKalb St., St. Louis, Mo.

Contents: A small folder features the characteristics and uses of wood split pulleys, with particular emphasis on the

substitution of wood for steel, as a means of conserving steel for other purposes. These pulleys are offered for prompt delivery-in block, cap and arm type construction, covering the requirements of hundreds of different applications from the smallest to the largest.

36-Turret Lathe

South Bend Lathe Works, Dept. 9X, South

Contents: A 4-page bulletin features the 2-H turret lathe, which is adaptable to either long run or small lot production on a wide range of bar, chucking or fixture jobs. Lathe has a capacity of 13%" through the spindle halo 16" 13%" through the spindle hole, 16" swing over the bed and saddle wings and 1" through the collet. Complete construction features and specifications are given. Bulletin No. 67-T.

37—Scales for Aviation Industry

Toledo Scale Company, Toledo, Ohio.

Contents: A 4-page leaflet gives a pictorial survey of weighing operations in aviation. Also contains photographs of new scale equipment that has been devised to meet such assignments as counting, testing, force-measuring, checking endurance, determining stresses or horsepower and the center of gravity.

38-Enclosed Busbar

The Trumbull Electric Mig. Co., Plainville, Conn.

Contents: The 4-page circular illustrates and describes their new type, low voltage drop "Buss-Wa", which is designed to deliver full voltage power at the point of load. This enclosed type of bushar is fully described, and the construction de-tails are clearly shown by photographs. Circular No. 325.

39—Hand Pumps

Watson-Stillman Company, Roselle, N. J.

Contents: Describes hand operated, high pressure pumps for testing purposes and for operating hydraulic jacks and other small hydraulic tools. Pressure capacities range from 1500 to 30,000 lbs. per sq. in. Ten types of pumps are illustrated, including single and double action plunger types.

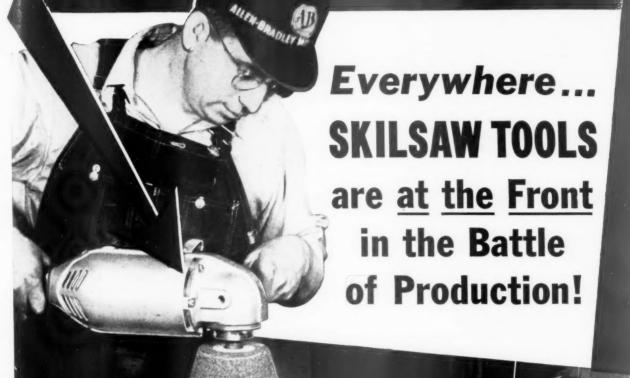
40—Power Switch for Welders

Westinghouse Electric & Mig. Co., Dept. 7-N-20, East Pittsburgh, Pa.

Contents: Six-page folder describes Weld-O-Trol, a power switch for resistance welders. It is said to reduce timeouts for maintenance and to eliminate mechanical delay in contact timing. A schematic diagram shows how the switch, in sizes from 150 to 1200 ampere frame, operates the circuit to the primary of the welding transformer.

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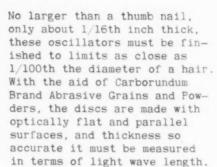




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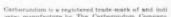
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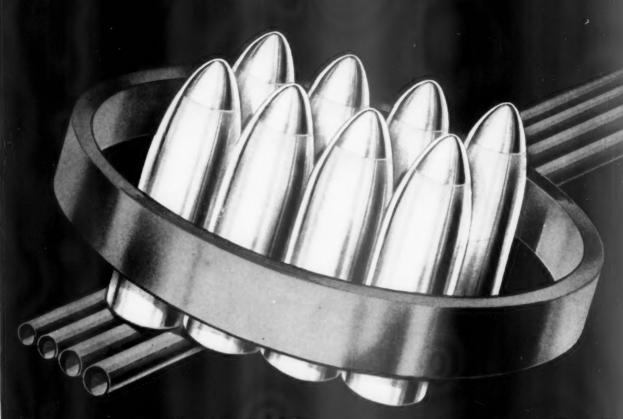


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URCHASING men will be interested in the pen-portrait of Mr. MacKeachie by John W. Love, Scripps-Howard staff writer, published last month as the third in a series concerning "the men who have come to the top of the heap in the recent shake-up involving the OPM and WPB." The article is headed: "Yankee Scotsman is Country's Top Purchasing Agent." Mr. Love then says in part:

"There are many remarkable fish in the Washington aquarium, but Mr. MacKeachie is the coldest of them all. Not many know him, and fewer know him well. As traveling salesmen are well aware, Purchasing Agents are trained not to take fire easily, and this Purchasing Agent is one of the least inflammable of all.

"The newspaperman who insists on seeing Mr. MacKeachie does well to have his questions ready. Interviewers do not ordinarily start with a question. They say something to open the conversation, to pry the man's jaw apart. The visitor who begins that way with Mr. MacKeachie will find himself doing all the talking.

"But his arched eyebrows seem to invite questions, and the man who asks intelligent ones will get intelligent answers. 'This is no debating society,' as Mr. MacKeachie is likely to remark in some other connection.

But Mr. Love is thoroughly impressed by the soundness and ability of this young man who came down from his job as New England Director of Purchases for the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company sixteen months ago to advise Mr. Nelson on food purchases under the old NDAC set-up which preceded OPM which preceded WPB. He continues:

"He became civilian adviser to the Quartermaster General's office in the buying of foodstuffs, and he and a few others installed that system of close-in advice and direct participation in buying operations which gave the Army confidence in the Nelson methods. This confidence had much to do with the rise of Mr. Nelson and his man to the final assignment by President Roosevelt of complete responsibility in purchases and production. Not without significance is the fact that nobody in that agency ever intimated he had shown the Army anything it didn't know already."

And incidentally, there is ample evidence that his work gave Mr. Nelson confidence in the Mac-Keachie methods, for when Mr. Nelson was advanced from the purchasing department to the general managership of WPB, with complete authority to set up the new organization, he placed the mantle of purchasing responsibility on Mr. MacKeachie's capable shoulders.

It's a healthy sign when the high command can learn some useful tactics from the enemy. We therefore welcome the announcement that Messrs. Nelson and MacKeachie of WPB are "infiltrating" the government buying departments with able representatives from their own purchasing staff.

ASHION is entering America's war-time economy as an ally of conservation and the enemy of hoarding, according to F. S. Blanchard, textile consultant of the Substitution Branch, Bureau of Industrial Conservation. For fashion is always in tune with the spirit of the times. If a few people hoard scarce items which thus become unavailable to the great majority whom fashion must serve, "our hoarding friends will not only find themselves out of tune with patriotic sentiment, they will find themselves out of style!"

THE Office of Price Administration rates a particular commendation for putting the precepts of conservation into practical effect, and anyone who is trying to keep a file of the voluminous releases from Washington will welcome the new

format which puts the text of four mimeographed pages on one standard 8 x 10½ sheet. We can't say as much for the expedient of mimeographing on both sides of the sheet, which is messy to look at and inconvenient to use; but when the job is done by offset, reduced to half scale so that a complete two-page release appears as a single unit, and more lengthy orders come four pages to the sheet in clean, compact and legible style, we're all for it. Other government offices please copy.

Ripley mentions in his January 18th feature that I. T. Cost is Purchasing Agent for the Clifton Springs (N. Y.) Sanitarium. Equally appropriate for mention, and in the same vein, we might add that N.A.P.A. had George Price of Akron as its president last year, while other members of the Price clan hold important purchasing jobs in Augusta, Me., Springfield, Mass., Mineola Field, N. Y., Newark, N. J., Conshohocken, Johnstown, Lancaster and Pittsburgh, Pa., Salt Lake City, Utah, and Los Angeles, Cal. Perhaps some of our readers can add still more names to the list.

P.A. is a pretty vital factor in management these days! And another researcher (Joseph Sawyer, formerly P.A. for Boston's Economy Grocery Stores and now with the Retail Research Association in New York) passes the discovery along to F.O.B. The paragraph appears in the bi-weekly Business and Legislation report of the Research Institute of America, issue of January 3, where it appears as R. L. A. Recommendation No. 2:

R. I. A. Recommendation No. 2:
"Make sure that your following offices are manned by men about whose ability you have no doubt—in this order:

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- (b) production
- (c) accounting
- (d) pricing and costs
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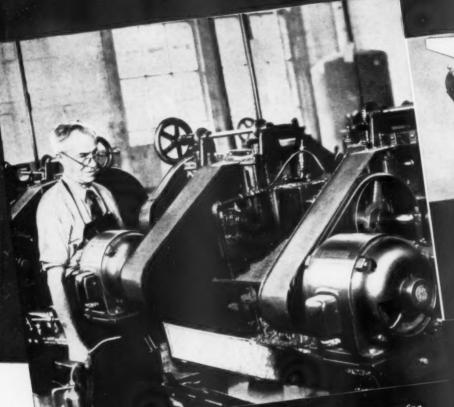


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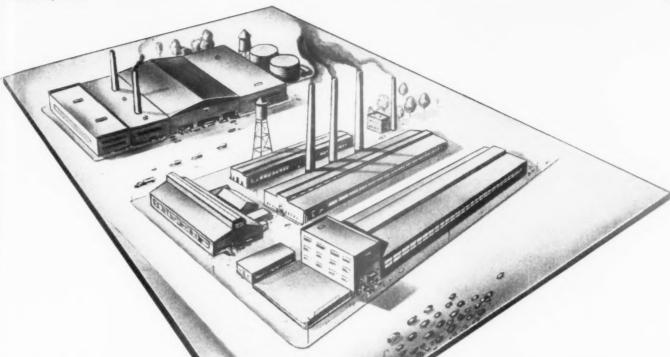
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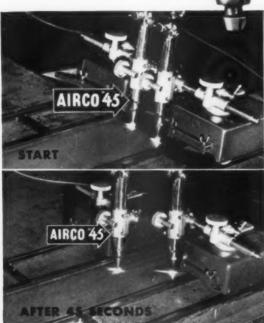


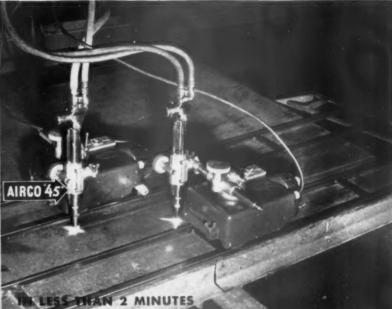
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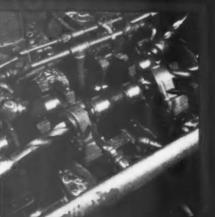
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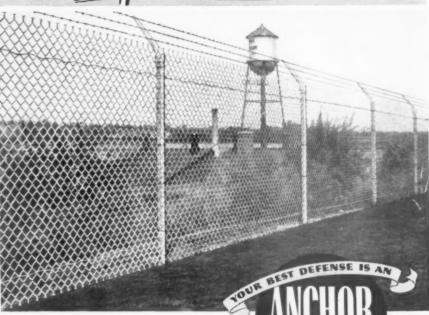
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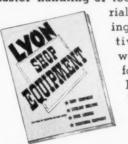
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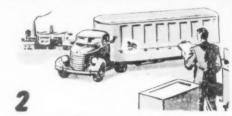
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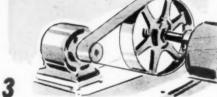
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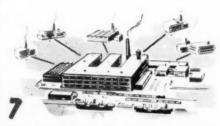
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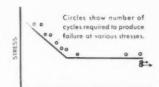
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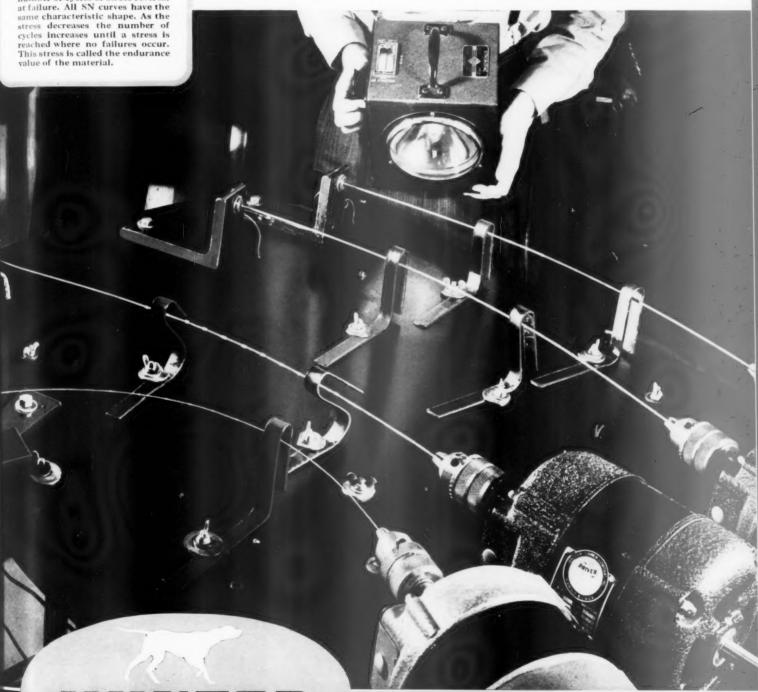
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For Purchasing Executives:

WPB ACCEPTS LEADERSHIP—Washington in February was a more serious, sober and determined city than at any time since we have been actually at war. Not that our leaders have at any time held too complacent a view of the task which lies ahead. But without the emotional lift that accompanied the war declaration in December, or the excitement attending the announcement of the Victory program and the reorganization of the war agencies in February—even more than Pearl Harbor, the military reverses at Singapore and submarine activity in the Atlantic served to drive home the gravity of the situation and the need for immediate and sustained production effort to make this country in fact the arsenal of democracy.

As previously pointed out, the War Production Board differs from its predecessors chiefly in the fact that it has executive authority, and it is today demonstrating that it plans to exercise that authority in pushing the Victory program to the point of prompt realization. Where OPM could function only, or chiefly, as a prolific source of regulations, directed at isolated sore spots in the industrial economy as they appeared, with the result that its work was frequently overlapping or contradictory and largely uncoordinated, WPB emerges with a definite objective and a program for attaining it. Restriction orders are now definitely related to this positive program of essential production.

To date, there has been little of the "crack-down" philosophy at work; it is a program of leadership, calling for the full cooperation of industry in a single purpose: to win the war. But there is no evasion of the issue that this cooperation of all industry must be forthcoming to place the production facilities of the country on the basis of a war economy—voluntarily if possible, as befits a democracy, but forthcoming in any case.

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PLANT CONVERSION—The immediate problem is the conversion of manufacturing facilities to the production of war materials or essential civilian needs. Industrial establishments, however remote from war production in their normal activities, will do well to explore the possibilities of such conversion now, and to apply, in their search for government contracts or subcontracts, the same degree of ingenuity and energy through which their normal business has been built up.

WPB is thinking about conversion in terms of Great Britain's experience and methods, which include the concentration of all civilian manufacture in one or two "nucleus plants" in each industry, while the bulk of production equipment and manpower is commandeered and put to work at some phase of the war effort. Great Britain's policy has also been to disperse production by breaking up each major item into relatively small component parts for later assembly, rather than concentrating and expanding the key war industries as we have done. This is directly in line with the campaign for subcontracting which has been so actively promoted from Washington for months past, and which offers the best solution for most plants if they will take advantage of the opportunities now at hand.

Two factors will modify the possibility of setting up a carbon copy of the British plan in this country—the average size of our plants, and the geographical extent of our nation. But in general outline, and perhaps on a zone basis, it is practicable and it may be necessary.

For the industrial Purchasing Agent this presents two problems which he should consider now. In the event of his own plant's conversion, he may be called upon to procure new and unfamiliar materials. In the event of his suppliers' conversion to other lines of manufacture, he will be obliged to find and to deal with new sources of supply.

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SUPREME COURT DECISION—Supporting the powers of WPB, the Supreme Court on February 16th issued a timely decision on a case having its roots in a contract made twenty-four years ago, during World War I, with the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation. The Court took this occasion to state flatly that Congress has the constitutional power to draft business establishments for the war effort. Significant paragraphs in this decision state:

"The Constitution grants to Congress power 'to raise and support armies,' 'to provide and maintain a navy,' and to make all laws necessary and proper to carry these powers into execution. Under this authority, Congress can draft men for battle service. Its power to draft business organizations to suppport the fighting men who risk their lives can be no less... The Government has requisitioned existing production facilities or itself built and operated new ones to provide needed war materials. It may be that one or some or all of these measures should be utilized more comprehensively, or that still other measures must be devised... If it chose to, the Fleet Corporation could have foregone all negotiation over price, compelling Bethlehem to undertake the work at a price set by the President, with the burden of going to court if it considered the compensation unreasonably low."

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PRICE CONTROL—Widespread conversion to war production will necessarily curtail civilian supplies to a point far short of purchasing power, and will present a need for price control on a broader front to prevent an inflationary movement affecting all classes of consumer goods. The legal basis of price administration is now defined, but the job itself will continue to grow. Look for greater attention to manufacturing and distributing margins, the total suspension of the law of supply and demand, and immediate emphasis on strict compliance.

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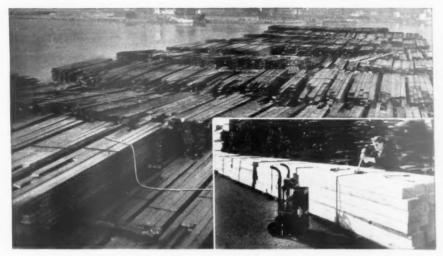
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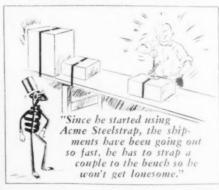


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for 6 x 19 Seale Construction	times diameter of rope
for 6 x 16 Filler Wire Construction30	times diameter of rope
for Flattened Strand (Type B & G)	times diameter of rope
for 8 x 19 Seale Construction	times diameter of rope
for 6 x 19 Filler Wire	times diameter of rope
for 6 x 22 Filler Wire	times diameter of rope
for 8 x 19 Warrington	times diameter of rope
for 8 x 19 Filler Wire	times diameter of rope
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TEN SILVER MONTHS

E are all in the war. The battalions of industry, no less than the armed battalions at the front, have a part in the grand strategy of the forces of democracy. That part was broadly outlined in President Roosevelt's announcement of the Victory production program in January. It is being translated into specific terms by Donald Nelson and the War Production Board

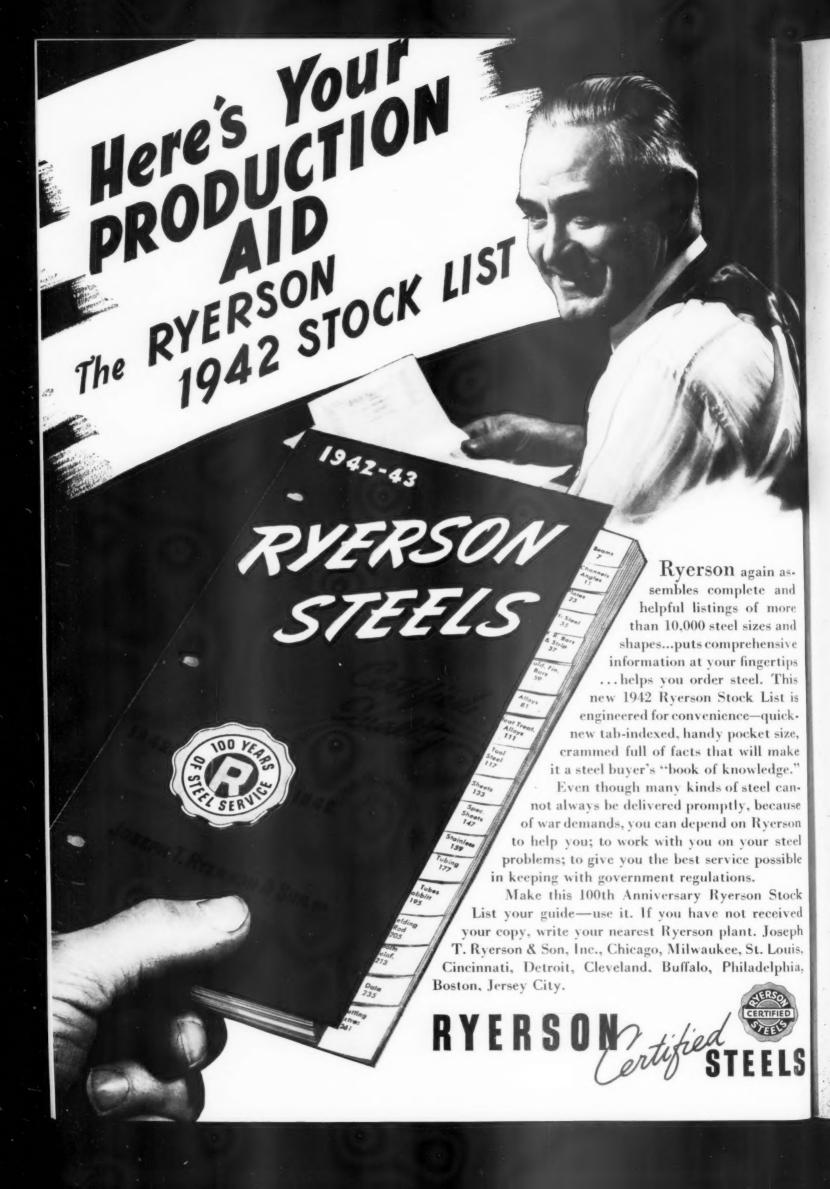
Time is the essence of the Victory program. Every ton of steel, every tank, every plane, every shell produced today is worth incalculably more to the war effort than the identical product produced six months or a year from now. The accomplishments and the failures of the past are forgotten. There is a job to be done in 1942—in March, 1942.

Mr. Nelson reminds us that the golden months when we might have been preparing more earnestly to meet this emergency have been torn from the calendar, but that ten silver months remain during which American industry can write its answer to the challenge. In that statement he expresses the constructive, forward-looking view. Time is short, but there is still time if we resolve to make it count.

Every resource and every effort of management and production must be directed to our one objective. This does not mean hysteria, but cool thinking and hard work. It means that every policy, every act, every schedule, must be judged by just one standard: "Will it help to win the war?"

Each plant and each organization knows best what and how it can most effectively contribute to the national effort. Many of them have already enlisted for the duration, but we have not nearly reached our over-all potential capacity. Complacency and delay are our most insidious enemies. Today is the time when we must face the situation squarely and accept our share of the responsibility. The shops and factories of this country have the tools for Victory. Put them to work NOW!

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PRODUCE NOW ...OR NEVER!

A STATEMENT BY THE PUBLISHERS

The United States will lose the war, unless American industry from top executive to shipping clerk is willing to adopt the spirit and fight that is being shown by General MacArthur and his men in the Philippines.

This is a strong statement but it has been made only after careful deliberation and consultation with the men who are following our war production schedules. They are intimately familiar not only with what we need but what we must have within the next few months if we are to avoid actual defeat or a long drawn out stalemate—either of which is intolerable.

From Donald Nelson, production chief of the U. S. comes this message to industry—"Every weapon we make today is worth ten that we might produce next year. This year—1942—is the critical year in the existence of the United States. I'm not just painting the picture darkly but I do believe that we who know what industry can do must look at the situation squarely."

Those words are blunt and to the point. They come from a man who knows what is needed and not from an arm chair strategist. Nelson is an American businessman devoted to our way of life and to its preservation. All industry must heed before it is too late.

The decision of victory or defeat lies in the results produced by our factories. Our military men do not lack in courage or the will to fight. That has already been demonstrated at Wake, at Guam and in the Philippines. But they don't stand a chance of victory without guns, tanks, and airplanes which are now so short that they can't even defend themselves. This lack of vital weapons from industry is now being written into the casualty lists. After many of their names might well appear the words—needless slaughter.

We don't wish to be melodramatic. Nor should we allow ourselves to become hysterical. But every man in industry must immediately realize that it is within his power to save lives and to win this war by giving every ounce of his energy and ingenuity toward increasing arms production. Our industrial structure is so complex that everyone engaged in it can contribute something that will hasten and increase output. By the same token his lack of co-operation will impede it.

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Industry must shelve its post war planning wherever it is interfering with war output, for if we lose, these plans will be less than useless. Labor leaders must stop irresponsible interruptions of war output and devote their energies wholly to increasing and not decreasing

production.

Those plants that are now producing war goods must bend every effort toward speeding-up production rates and lick every existing schedule regardless of apparent obstacles. Multi-shift operation, improved production methods, must be adopted by all. More and more work given out in sub-contracts—putting idle machinery to work, regardless of cost, will add greatly to speed and volume. In England today a total of 6000 plants are engaged in tank production. Yet no

single plant is making a complete unit.

Plants without arms contracts must get them. While it is true that the War Production Board is set up for the purpose of assisting contract distribution and is composed of as able and experienced industrialists as we have in this country, it is physically impossible for them to seek out and place contracts and sub-contracts with all of the many thousands of American manufacturers with idle machines in time to save our fighting men and to place them in a position to win this war. These men in the War Production Board are working day and night to the point of exhaustion but time is so short that you can't wait for them to come to you—you personally must go out and get the war business for your own plant and start the idle machines working.

Manufacturers with machines of potential defense value are simply faced with a sales problem similar to many which they have had to solve in the past in order to stay in business. The Government is now the potential customer, and the volume available is unlimited, whether it is direct business from the war procurement divisions or in

the form of sub-contracts from existing producers.

Already hundreds of firms have secured contracts and converted their production to products that would have seemed fantastic for them to be making but a few years ago. A manufacturer of ladies' hand bags is now turning out chargers for rapid fire guns. This company found that original manufacturing specifications called for the use of milling machines, grinders, and drilling machines. They had none of these tools and couldn't get them. So they developed a new manufacturing process that now produces a better product in greater volumes without them. A manufacturer of heat control is making periscopes. A cork products manufacturer is turning out airplane wing tips—a pump manufacturer is making special cams—a stoker manufacturer gears—a stove maker fabricates fuel tanks—a vending machine manufacturer is producing electric gun turrets, and a manufacturer of silk hosiery is making aircraft wing fittings. Hundreds of similar examples are available and many more are being born daily.

Obviously, this is not a simple problem. For the majority of manufacturers it is full of disappointments, heartaches, and a seemingly endless battle against red tape. A few will ultimately find that their facilities are such that they cannot be converted. But it was not easy to build a manufacturing business, nor has it been easy to remain in business during the past few years. This challenge will and must be met by industry regardless of obstacles. The same ingenuity and resourcefulness that made this country great must outproduce our enemies and

beat them at their own game.

Every idle machine in every plant in this country must answer this challenge now! Plants must convert and produce as never before. The lives of our men and the future of the nation are in the hands of the men in American Industry!

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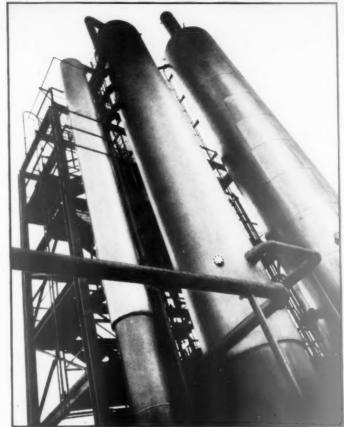
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RECOVERY of solvents and reagents for re-use is standard practice in the chemical and processing industries. What is believed to be the largest unit of this nature in the Akron area is that at the recently opened spreading plant of the B. F. Goodrich Company, used in the manufacture of Koroseal, the synthetic elastic made from plasticized polyvinyl chloride.

The photograph at the left shows the three towers comprising the unit. The largest, at the right, is 10 feet in diameter, 78 feet high, and weighs 130,000 pounds. All the towers were received on the site completely assembled, and were erected in one piece.



THE "HOW" OF CONSERVATION



Methods used by some representative companies to save scarce materials and to insure maximum utilization

SALVAGE FROM SWEEPINGS

PPROXIMATELY twenty tons of non-ferrous ingot are reclaimed daily from scrap in the works of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company. A considerable proportion of this comes from machine shop sweepings, which would be utterly lost without special attention to this phase of salvage.

At the Linehart Works, these sweepings, in the form of a heavy sludge, are passed through a series of water separators. The bits of metal settle to the bottom of the trays and buckets, while the dirt, grease, and other impurities carried in solution or suspension, overflow into the next bucket and are eventually carried away.

AN OIL COMPANY'S METHODS

N a western oil company which operates its own wells and refinerion and visite operates its own wells and refineries and distributes its products through retail filling stations, salvage operations are carried on through a Salvage Superintendent, reporting

directly to the Manager of Purchases.

As soon as equipment, machinery or tubing goes out of use, it is reported to the Salvage Superintendent, who decides whether it is to be reclaimed or sold. In this way, material which has no further usefulness to the company is promptly disposed of, while material that can be economically reclaimed is reconditioned and made available at the warehouses for use wherever needed. The Manager of Purchases is kept informed

of all such supplies on hand, and consults this list before buying new materials.

Some items lend themselves especially well to such reclamation. Valves are rarely dis-carded, but are repaired for further use. Pumps and motors can likewise be reconditioned, and a fair proportion of requisitions are filled by transfer of used equipment. Some types of materials which are no longer suitable for their original purposes can be placed satisfactorily into other service, giving values far in excess of mere scrap disposal. An example of this is drill pipe, which can be used for water lines after its original

> DISPOSING OF CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS

REQUISITIONING CRITICAL MATERIALS -

usefulness has been exhausted. Literally miles of water lines in this system have been laid with discarded drill pipe and are giving excellent service. The Salvage Superintendent is also responsible for the care and repair of technical instruments.

Issuing reclaimed or rebuilt equipment frequently calls for the exercise of diplomacy. The station operator who expects to receive a brand new pump may be disappointed when he gets second-hand, though serviceable, equipment. As an effective policy for this situation, the new installation is charged at only 50% to 75% of the cost of a new pump, and the operator's balance sheet is proportionately more favorable.



DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASE

CITY OF NEW YORK MUNICIPAL BUILDING

February 12, 1942

Mr. Stuart F. Heinritz, Editor "Purchasing" 205 East 42 Street New York City

I was quite interested in Part II of the February issue of "Purchasing."

Under Item 85 you suggest the destruction of confidential records by burning. This was the practice followed by the City of New York up until a few weeks ago. We found it possible to make arrangements for the destruction of our confidential records by the so-called "wet beater process. Under this plan, the records are delivered to a producer of pulp within a fifty-mile radius of New York City and are destroyed in the beaters in the presence of City representatives. Incidentally, we get a better price for these confidential records than we get for ordinary scrap paper since they are generally on a good grade of stock.

Under Item 42 you suggest the issuance of critical materials upon special authorization. On January 17, 1942, Mayor LaGuardia issued an executive order placing more than one thousand items carried in our storehouses on a critical list and prescribing the following certificate on requisitions for such items:

"Certificate - Request for Critical Material

I hereby certify that the item(s) above requisitioned is (are) absolutely necessary for the maintenance of essential services. These quantities, if furnished, will be used immediately, and will not be placed in reserve. To the best of my knowledge, there is no other material that can be used for the purpose.

> Signed..... Title *

We find that this plan has made the various agencies quite aware of current shortages.

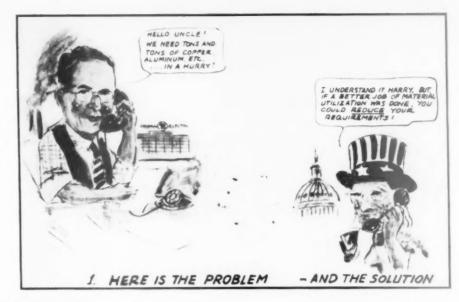
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DRAMATIZING CONSERVATION

T a recent meeting of the Manufacturing Committee of the General Electric Company, the problem of material shortages and the possibilities of conservation through better utilization were dramatically portrayed in a series of pictorial displays. It starts when the employee finds that the well (the supposedly inexhaustible supply of raw materials) is running dry. In the next poster, Harry Erlicher, Vice President in charge of Purchases, puts the problem up to Uncle Sam and is told that better utilization will reduce requirements.



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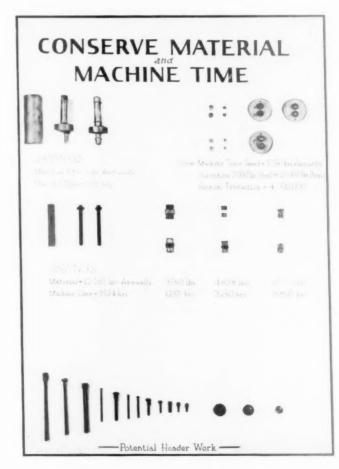
In succeeding drawings, division managers and the board of directors pledge to do their part in the program of "More goods for National Defense—from less raw material."

Real meat of the display, however, was a series of charts showing how this objective could be attained. For example, by varying the width of strip metal and rearranging layout of parts, utilization could be improved by from 17% to 37% in some cases. Similarly on other operations, impressive conservation of material and of machine time was recorded. Actual case studies from the company's own experience, supported

by the factual record of savings, brought the lesson home in practical and personal terms.

The display was viewed by scores of production and shop executives, buyers, and department heads, who have carried the moral into their daily work with telling effect.

Many companies will find that their plant practices, well conceived at the start, will profit by such a periodic review and analysis. Just as important as the analysis itself is the job of presenting it in convincing and memorable form to those who have the responsibility for putting improved practices to work. This well-planned display series illustrates one very effective way of accomplishing the desired result.

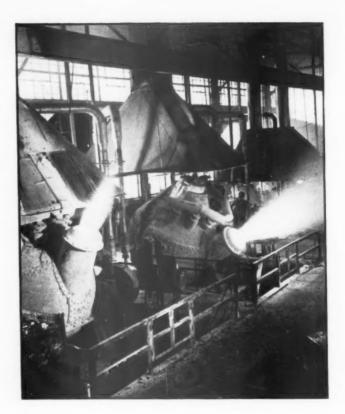


RECOVERY OF METAL SCRAP

ORE than a million pounds of non-ferrous metals, including enough aluminum to build 10 army bombers, are reclaimed every thirty days from machine shop leftovers, according to W. J. Laird, head of the Westinghouse Reclamation Division at the Line-hart Works. This economy program conserves ma-terials needed in the national war program, saves money for the company, and helps maintain increased production. The reclaimed metals include aluminum, copper, aluminum base alloys, and copper base alloys.

After pure aluminum and copper are removed from the metallic mixture, the remainder is divided into approximately 50 alloy categories. Placed in a revolving bucket, each batch is thoroughly mixed and tested to determine exactly what metals it contains and how much of each is present. To get the right percentage of the metals that form a specific alloy, various amounts of pure metals are added and mixed with the reclaimed metals.

Gas furnaces resembling huge teapots are the melting pots that blend the metals together. They are fired at regulated temperatures ranging between 1800 and 2300 degrees F., and poured into molds to form 100pound ingots. Tested again to establish the metal content of the alloy, the ingots are given identification numbers and are then ready for use in making various types of castings or for other production uses.



CONSERVATION AS A SELLER'S THEME

ENRY DISSTON & SONS, INC., of Philadelphia is offering to Industrial America an effective Conservation Control Plan, of wide scope, designed to save vital materials and to speed up production in this time of great national emergency. Recognizing in this plan a very definite aid to the Government's "War on Waste," the OPM says, "It reflects precisely what we would have every industrial plant in the Country

Based upon instruction cards called "Conservation Control Cards," the individual worker is told how to handle a particular tool, how to use it efficiently, how to keep it from breaking, how to sharpen it, and other important information which will mean easier and better work for him. There are 35 of these cards, covering cutting tools for metal, wood, plastics, etc., including tool bits, files, hack saw blades, carbolov knives and cutters, circular metal and wood cutting saws, band saws for wood or metal, planer knives, etc.

In these times of inexperienced labor and a lack of foremen, making supervision difficult, these Control Cards meet a very definite need. They are supplied free by Disston to any plant, along with buttons bearing a seal and the slogan "Conservation Serves Every-one." In addition, there are posters prepared for the use of plants generally which "sell" the idea to the men as a means whereby their work will be made easier and better. Emphasis is put upon the importance of saving materials in order to make more materials available during this time of emergency and shortages.

The Control Cards will be supplied to all industries desiring them. Each card for each specific cutting tool carries a number. All that is necessary is for a plant executive to notify Disston how many cards are wanted of each number. When the cards are received by the plant, they are distributed through the shop superintendents and foremen to the men using the respective cutting tools-one card for each workman. Thus, individualized instruction is provided to the workmen.

Each Control Card contains the following data for each specific cutting tool:

- 1. Typical troubles and failure to perform work properly.
- Cause of trouble.
- 3. Correction.
- Recommendations for various materials to be cut.
 - (a) How to select proper tool.
 - (b) How to set it up.
 - (c) Proper speed and feed.
 - (d) Miscellaneous recommendations.

Many industrial leaders already have signified their enthusiasm for the plan. Disston is prepared to supply cards, posters, buttons, etc., entirely without cost. Nor is it necessary to be a Disston product user in order to participate in this important national program. A certificate of cooperation is furnished to each firm where the Conservation Control Plan is put into effect, and the company's name is recorded with the Bureau of Industrial Conservation in Washington. This certificate, prominently displayed in the plant, together with the individual workers' buttons, have been found exceedingly effective in making workers "conservationconscious" and in building morale.

Better utilization, longer tool life, elimination of breakdowns and delays, as achieved by this plan, are definitely related to the present need for more and faster production in the Victory program which has set unprecedented quotas of output for American industry. These same factors have permanent values as well. Far-sighted salesmanship recognizes that leadership in meeting present problems also constitutes

a permanent asset.

JAMES MacPHERSON

Twenty years of purchasing experience with the Standard Oil Company of California and affiliated companies, are placed at the service of the Government in Mr. MacPherson's latest appointment. He was Manager of Purchases and Stores for six years prior to 1940, when he became Secretary of the California Arabian Standard Oil Company, from which position he is now on leave. Mr. MacPherson has been an active member of the Los Angeles Association and the N.A.P.A. He served with the British Army during World War No. 1. He was in charge of the Equipment and Supplies Branch of OPM's Division of Purchases from June, 1941, to February, 1942, when he was named Deputy Director of the Division of Purchases, WPB, assigned to the Procurement Division of the Treasury Department.



By A. N. WECKSLER

GOVERNMENT BUYING GEARED TO EMERGENCY

Governmental purchasing procedure is being revised and speeded up to meet new conditions and new responsibilities

ONG-STANDING practices of Government purchasing have been discarded under the stress of the war emergency. Need for the change is that the entire gamut of restrictions—priorities, difficulties in obtaining deliveries, material scarcity, labor shortage—impinge on Government procurement in much the same manner as they do on private industry. One of the branches which has been particularly affected by these developments is the Procurement Division of the Treasury Department. This Division is the centralized purchasing agency for the majority of governmental departments, as well as having the responsibility of handling Lend-Lease purchases—a major buying assignment in itself.

The approach of the Procurement Division of the Treasury to this problem is to make such concessions as are necessary to meet the emergency, but at the same time to adhere to the best practices and techniques possible under the strain of a mushrooming program.

Cornerstone of the new war-time policy of this agency is a changeover from the advertised bid practice of peace-time to widespread use of negotiated contracts to make emergency purchases. While the change

generally disregards some of the fundamental tenets of scientific procurement, at the same time it calls for a greater degree of skill and knowledge of markets on the part of the purchasing officer.

One of the major problems has been to maintain liaison between the Procurement Division and the War Production Board to get quick clearance on priorities for essential orders, and to obtain the release of scarce materials required for the fulfillment of such orders.

To facilitate the emergency operation of the Procurement Division, Douglas C. MacKeachie, Director of the WPB Division of Purchases, assigned James MacPherson, an experienced industrial purchasing executive, as his deputy director to work with Clifton Mack, director of the Procurement Division of the Treasury. Mr. MacPherson, who previously had been in charge of the Equipment and Supplies Procurement Advisory Branch of the Division of Purchases under the OPM, will assist Mr. Mack in handling Lend-Lease purchases, and in coordinating the non-military purchases of Government agencies.

Objectives in teaming up a WPB Deputy Purchasing Director with the Procurement Division of the Treas-



Staff Meeting of the Procurement Staff

Regular staff meetings are held on policy and progress. Shown in this photograph (l. to r.) are: Robert Widman, Chief of Priorities Unit: T. C. Stephens, Special Assistant to the Director, in charge of spreading business: Thomas Manning, Ir., Chief Counsel; Richard F. Going, Special Assistant to the Director; A. J. Walsh, Assistant to the Director in charge of Lend-Lease purchasing; Clifton E. Mack, Director of Procurement; Robert Lefevre, Assistant Director; George Landick, Administrative Assistant; W. E. Leigh, Special Assistant in charge of Expediting: C. C. Heltman, Jr., Chief, Lend-Lease Inspection Service.

ury, according to Mr. MacPherson, are simplification of specifications, spreading of business, and an elastic purchasing policy. The WPB representative pointed out that the Procurement Division had been doing a fine job, and that his function will be largely liaison with, and policy through, the WPB.

Negotiation Instead of Bid

The basic change in methods followed by the Procurement Division under the war emergency is made possible by President Roosevelt's Executive Order of December 27, 1941, issued on the heels of the outbreak of war in the Pacific, which permitted the armed services and the Maritime Commission to negotiate contracts.



Cooperating whole-heartedly in the conservation of scarce materials alternate specifications have been prepared for the emergency, permitting the use of substitute materials on many items.



A. J. WALSH

Assistant to the Director of Procurement, in charge of Lend-Lease buying.

Specifically, the Executive Order permits the Secretary of War and the Secretary of Navy or the United States Maritime Commission, or such agents as may be designated by these departments,

"to enter into contracts and into amendment or modifications of contracts heretofore or hereafter made, and to make advance, progress, and other payments thereon, without regard to the provisions of law relating to the making, performance, amendment, or modification of contracts."

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The full scope of this order becomes apparent under the clause of the order which follows:

"The contracts hereby authorized to be made include agreements of all kinds (whether in the form of letters of intent, purchase orders, or otherwise) for all types and kinds of things and services necessary, appropriate or convenient for the prosecution of war, or for the invention, development, or production of, or research concerning any such things, including but not

limited to, aircraft, buildings, vessels, arms, armament, equipment, or supplies of any kind, or any portion thereof, including plans, spare parts and equipment therefor, materials, supplies, facilities, utilities, machinery, machine tools, and any other equipment, without any restriction of any kind, either as to type, character, location or form."

In a further Executive Order, President Roosevelt extended the terms of the original action to the Treasury Department (making it applicable to the Procurement Division), the Department of Agriculture, the Panama Canal, the Federal Works Agency, the Government Printing Office and the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.

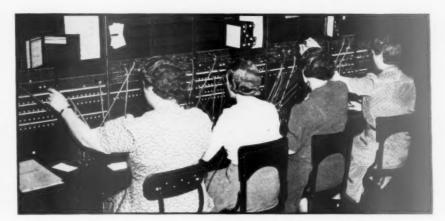
Armed with this authorization, Mr. Mack has channeled approximately 90% of all war purchasing by his organization on a negotiated bid system.

In an exclusive statement to Pur-Chasing, Mr. Mack indicated the objectives of war-time purchasing as follows:

"Direct negotiation to expedite purchasing is being used rather than the formal routine purchase procedures during normal periods. Emphasis is being



C. C. Heltman, Jr., Chief of the Inspection Section, discusses with a contractor some of the specifications which the latter's products must meet under Lend-Lease requirements.



Wartime business activities place a heavy load on communication systems. More than 3,000 calls per day are handled over this switchboard in the Procurement Division.

placed upon getting what it wanted for the defense program and getting it fast. Today the making of a purchase contract is but one of the first steps in procurement of supplies for the prosecution of the war effort.

"From that point on, our representatives keep in close touch with the supplier to assist in priority or shipping difficulties, with the objective of getting the supplies according to schedule and making certain that goods are moved to shipside or point of use immediately.

"Although our purchases call for substantial quantities of materials, most of which are critical and call for expeditious action, nevertheless conservation is a primary consideration with the thought in mind of utilizing this country's resources to the fullest extent possible."

Broadening Supply Sources

In speeding up procurement, there are two factors which must be taken into consideration. Quantity delivery can best be obtained from large production. At the same time, it is necessary to spread the business as much as possible to permit smaller manufacturers to participate in the Government's purchasing requirements,

Through publicity and information, new bidders have been attracted, with the War Production Board's defense contract organization channeling a number of prospective bidders to the Procurement Division. Difficulty has been that manufacturers generally indicate what type of operations they are engaged in, while the Procurement Division operates from a commodity list and requires specific information as to what the individual concern can make,

There has recently been a large increase in the number of manufacturers seeking Government business. They have been diverted from their normal outlets due to curtailment orders and priority difficulties in obtaining materials, and must find some Government, Army, Navy or Lend-Lease purchaser to receive priorities to obtain materials.

While there are obviously limitations to spreading business when speedy delivery is a prime objective, the Procurement Division has adopted several expedients to draw additional manufacturing units into their purchasing program.

One of these expedients is the change in practice from the formal purchase system. It has been the practice, for example, to make dual awards in parallel items to eliminate the cost of placing extra orders, to



Inspection has not been relaxed under today's buying pressure. This analytical laboratory in the Procurement Division is kept busy on acceptance tests for a wide variety of purchased materials.



Lend-Lease purchases of large quantities of industrial and agricultural machinery are handled by the Procurement Division,

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Defense housing projects present another largescale buying problem, as typified in the purchase of plumbing and heating supplies for this development.

synchronize time of delivery, and to be able to look to only one supplier for the consummation of a contract. Requirements for tires and tubes were, during normal periods, insofar as possible placed with one supplier.

Under the revised policy, separate awards are being made on tires and tubes in the interest of spreading the business among as many suppliers as

Currently, this procedure is being followed in spot purchasing, but it is likely that a similar practice will be adopted when new term contracts are entered into for future delivery of various commodities required by the Government.

Another change in method is in the system of zone purchasing, under which the nation is divided into a number of zones, depending upon the commodity to be purchased, to permit manufacturers within a particular zone to bid on the basis of deliveries both within that zone and any other zone in which the manufacturer is

able to compete.

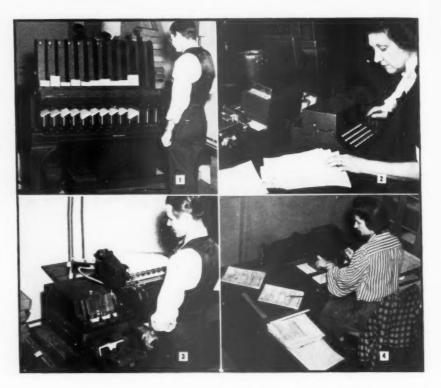
During the pre-war period, the purpose of the zonebidding system was to take advantage of any possible preferential price that might accrue to the Government through obtaining bids from manufacturers able to submit a better price on deliveries close to their plant

operations.

The war-time policy still retains the zone basis, though on a different footing. Bids are solicited from within a zone, but the objective is no longer to obtain the lowest competitive price. It is recognized that to obtain required quantities, marginal producers will have to be brought into the Government procurement picture, and in the interest of spreading business, a price differential is allowed to manufacturers within a zone who cannot produce at the same price as the more efficient manufacturers.

As many as sixteen manufacturers have been brought into the supply picture where formerly only one would be the source of supply. Different prices are paid by the Government for the same items in recognition that costs of production of various plants differ.

These contracts for commodities and materials are generally negotiated on an informal basis. When need for a definite quantity of materials is established through a requisition order, procurement officers determine the tentative quantities which can be assigned to



The need for speed and accuracy in handling records and "paper work" requires the extensive use of mechanical office equipment. Shown here are (1) the sorting of verified tabulating cards at a rate of 400 per minute; (2) alphabetic duplicating key punch machine for source data, 1,500 cards per day; (3) accounting machine which prints actual reports involving addition, subtraction, net balance, and three types of totals, at a rate of 80 cards per minute; (4) posting-bookkeeping machine in the accounting division.

various firms. If a time question is involved, a number of manufacturers within an area are called on the telephone and are asked for quotations on a particular item. In some cases, the Government purchasing officer informs the supplier as to the approximate needs.

Prospective bidders may make a definite price bid at a particular price, and even though such a price may be as much as 15% higher than similar bids, the bidder may receive a portion of the contract award, in line with the policy of aiding small manufacturers.

Large Volume of Purchases

The bulk of the Procurement Division's purchasing is now mainly for war-time needs. The General Schedule of Supplies, under which the Division normally purchased all of the staple items used in the Government services, still is much the same as during normal periods insofar as types of commodities purchased are concerned. However, the volume of purchases has been increased sharply from a total volume of approximately \$64,000,000 in 1940, to \$119,000,000 in 1941. and an estimated level of what may reach well over a possible \$300,000,000 during the current year.

In the field of purchases on the General Schedule of Supplies, the Procurement Division is attempting to consolidate the purchases of various Government agencies as much as possible into a mass purchasing pool, and then fan this accumulated business out as widely as can be accomplished to bring as many manufacturers as possible into the supply picture.

The war-time functions of the Procurement Division are in purchasing for Lend-Lease, the export require-

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ments of the Red Cross, and a large percentage of the equipment for defense housing.

Lend-Lease purchases in the industrial and commodity classifications are handled through the Procurement Division. Lend-Lease requirements are determined by representatives of each of the governments entitled to Lend-Lease aid. These representatives of foreign countries draw up needs and specifications, which are then submitted to the Lend-Lease Administrator to see if they qualify under the lease and lend provisions. The needs are then submitted to the War Production Board, with a view toward determining the availability of materials or equipment which have been requested.

The actual purchasing is assigned to the Army or Navy, in the case of procurement of combat weapons or war materiel; to the Maritime Commission, if they are items of merchant marine; to the Department of Agriculture, which purchases all foodstuffs, and to the Procurement Division, for the industrial items that are to be purchased.

These latter items can be divided roughly into four classifications, as follows: (1) metals, (2) chemicals and drugs, (3) heavy machinery and equipment, and (4) miscellaneous. The largest volume of purchasing is in the fabricated metals field, with several million tons of steel purchased.

A further emergency measure adopted by the Procurement Division is reduction in the standards of Government specifications for various commodities. Alternate specifications have been prepared for many items, taking into account substitution of less scarce materials when possible. At the same time, the Procurement Division has considerable discretion during the emergency in relaxing specification requirements, and while no widespread disregard of specifications is likely, concessions will likely be made in cases where suppliers cannot meet specifications due to scarcity.

is requested; Lend-Lease appropriations; and funds sup-

plied by requisitioning countries.

Major accomplishment has been to cut the average time of procurement on Lend-Lease account from the 21-day to 40-day period under normal procedure to a less than three-day average.

In addition to expediting placement of awards, it is now the policy of the Procurement Division to aid contractors in meeting their production schedules. This phase of activity is largely handled in the field, with inspectors assigned to check constantly on production schedules. At the time a contract is placed, a copy is sent to the field, and officers there verify whether the delivery schedule is possible. If priority aid is needed to obtain materials in meeting the delivery schedule, the Procurement Division field office attempts to assist manufacturers in these problems.

Articles for delivery on Lend-Lease account must be shipped on schedule to arrive at port of shipment and flow of goods synchronized with the availability of The Procurement Division works with the bottoms. U. S. Maritime Commission so that delivery of goods will be timed properly for shipment abroad.

On the whole, the Procurement Division of the Treasury is operating on a war-time footing-which means, in effect, a disregard of procurement policies and safeguards required during normal periods.

The formalities which were a part of the Procurement Division's normal purchasing procedure have been laid aside, and in their place have been substituted dual war-time objectives-expediency and speed,



BARLY in 1939, when war clouds were rumbling over Europe and the future of international trade was growing uncertain, the Purchasing Agent for a manufacturer of paper products and the sales agent for a foreign paper manufacturer met in New York to negotiate a contract for a large quantity of wood pulp, to be delivered in periodic installments. Before that contract could be carried out, it was destined to be affected by many tremendous events-the outbreak of war, the mining of trade routes, naval blockades and the confiscation of products for military purposes.

The contract included a comprehensive force majeure clause, providing that if certain specified conditions came into being-acts of God, war, detention at sea, mobilization, obstruction of navigation, etc.-to prevent the manufacture, shipment or sea-transport of wood pulp, seller could cancel shipments required to be

made while such conditions existed.

There was, moreover, a further provision in the contract, for the protection of both buyer and seller -an arbitration clause guarding against the dangers of unsettled disputes or differences that might arise.

A third provision, known as a "war clause rider" covering the cancellation of the contract by seller in the event of failure of the parties to agree upon the pavment of increased costs due to war conditions, was rejected by the buyer on the ground that the seller, forewarned against this contingency, must take that risk.

Two shipments under the contract were made on schedule. Then, on September 1, 1939, Germany's invasion of Poland signalled the beginning of the World War. Blockades were immediately put into force, sea lanes were mined, exports were licensed, and on November 30, 1939, came the invasion of Finland by Russia.

Few ships risked the dangers of war, blockade and mines. One, however, got through, after a momentous voyage during which it was detained by both the German and the French navies, went aground off the coast of Holland, put into port for repairs and finally reached its destination, delivering to the importer the October quota and 333 tons on the balance. There were no further deliveries against the contract

The importer, who instituted a claim of \$400,000 against the exporter for failure to deliver, contended that the exporter could be relieved from its obligation only if conditions actually prevented manufacture and transportation of goods. In order to show this was not the case, the importer claimed that during the period when it could not obtain deliveries, the exporter had delivered thousands of tons of pulp to other customers in the United States, for some of which it received as high as \$70 per ton, whereas the contract price between the parties was \$26 per ton. Since the importer had refused to include in the original contract a war clause rider which would have compelled it to pay extra costs of manufacture or shipment due to abnormal conditions arising, it had refused to agree to pay such increased costs on later shipments of pulp. In brief, the importer's position was that only if the exporter had been unable to bring and had not actually brought any pulp into this country during the latter part of 1939, would it have been relieved from its obligation under the contract.

Against this charge, the seller contended that only by a long, hazardous trip, partly by rail and partly by truck over almost impassable roads to a far northern port, was it able to ship any pulp to the United States, and this was apportioned among customers willing to

pay the extra costs.

ARBITRATION WORKS!



When contracts and agreements fail because of extraordinary wartime conditions and unforeseen emergency regulations, an arbitration clause invokes the rule of reason and equity

Here, then, was a dispute as to the applicability of the *force majeure* clause. Where that clause had failed, the arbitration clause succeeded, and the respective contentions of the parties proceeded promptly to determination by a board of arbitrators in the Commercial Arbitration Tribunal of the American Arbitration Association.

Experiences of this nature are repeated over and over today, under varying circumstances, both in the importing field and in domestic trade, where the risks—less fateful, perhaps—are just as real and numerous, and far less predictable. Why, and how, does an arbitration clause prove effective in hurdling these risks? Why is it that many disputes that arose during and at the close of World War I remain unsettled to this day? What advantage does the Purchasing Agent in 1942, for example, enjoy over his predecessor of 1917?

Purchasing Agents Approve

Thirteen years ago the National Association of Purchasing Agents, through its Executive Committee, gave arbitration a tremendous boost when it took the unprecedented action of recommending that every member of the Association include a provision for arbitration in their purchase contracts.

If the following years have been eventful ones for the world, they have been eventful ones for arbitration as well. Whirling along at a less dizzy pace, arbitration has reached a place in the economic affairs of the country where it is able to play a vital part in the great war effort in which this country is now engaged.

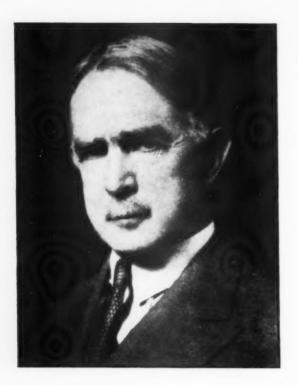
In all of this development and growth, Purchasing Agents, through their National Association, have had a part. Today in fourteen states, including such important industrial ones as New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Ohio, California, Michigan, there are modern arbitration laws making an arbitration provision in written contracts valid and enforceable. In the passage of these laws the National Association of Purchasing Agents not only gave endorsement, but performed yeoman service through their affiliated local organizations.

When the American Arbitration Association was building its national system of arbitration, which now extends over 1,600 cities and has enlisted the service of some 7,000 men on a National Panel of Arbitrators, the National Association of Purchasing Agents was the source of hundreds of nominees, highly qualified men in many industries and in many cities, to aid in the arbitration of commercial disputes.

In the dissemination of standard arbitration clauses, in discussions at group and national conventions, in articles in trade papers and in countless other ways, Purchasing Agents have helped to build a solid foundation under the arbitration system which American business men enjoy today, and a legal basis for the use of arbitration clauses.

Clauses Are Widely Used

In 1929, the contract which contained an arbitration clause was an exception. Today, there is no undertaking too large or too small to enjoy the protection which an arbitration provision affords. The greatest customer in the history of the world, for example—the United States Government—is spending a billion dollars for "Liberty Ships." In the contracts for these



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A typical arbitration proceeding. In scores of similar conferences throughout the nation, arbitration is taking the place of costly and protracted litigation.

left, after priorities for war production have taken their toll.

Americans, in their unity behind the war program, are entirely willing to make sacrifices and to do without many things, heretofore considered essentials, which the Government needs. At the same time claims of priorities, government orders and restrictions, etc., must not be allowed to be used as grounds for not fulfilling contracts when such claims are not valid and are put forward merely for the sake of avoiding obligations.

Such questions are already coming up in the courts and in arbitration tribunals. Such questions, for instance, as to whether goods on order were already manufactured and ready for delivery when restrictions went into force; whether partial delivery could be made under a contract when full delivery was impossible, whether a fair allocation of goods available had been made to a manufacturer's customers when a force majeure clause prevented complete deliveries under a pre-war contract, etc.

An arbitration clause in such contracts protects the seller as well as the buyer; brings a prompt determination of disputed questions; gives a quick answer to the question whether the buyer must go into the open market or look elsewhere for supplies; prevents the tying up or wastage of vitally needed materials, and con-



ships between the U. S. Maritime Commission and the shipbuilders, there is a clause providing for the arbitration of any disputes which may arise. A Bronx housewife decides to store her household belongings "for the duration," and if her contract is with a member of the New York Furniture Warehousemen's Association, it will contain an arbitration clause.

The British Purchasing Commission, the Australian and the Canadian Purchasing Commissions, spending millions of dollars on supplies in the United States, the Amtorg Trading Corporation, representing the Russian Government, Sweden, Finland (in more fortunate days)—all use arbitration clauses in their purchasing contracts

Today, the Purchasing Agents concerned with great quantities of raw materials or manufacturing equipment or completed commodities are in much the same position, in a larger way, as the housewife in the market for linens, clothing or household supplies—their ability to secure the goods depends upon the effect of the war on the supply.

It is no longer a "buyer's market." It is a war and a national defense market. The buyer gets what is

tributes to the maintenance of goodwill and unity so essential in periods of strain and stress.

Since Purchasing Agents write a large proportion of the contracts which are entered into daily by American business men, a brief word concerning the form of such clauses and the circumstances under which they have been held by the courts to be valid and enforceable, under existing arbitration laws, may prove to be of interest.

Arbitration clauses are made part of an existing contract in different ways. The usual method is to insert an arbitration clause in a contract at the time it is made and before it is signed. There is no separate signing of a clause, as it is part of the contract and a signature to the contract suffices.

Usually an arbitration law does not specify any method of attachment, but in two instances it has done so. Under the law of Rhode Island, the clause must be placed just before the testimonium clause or the signature, the purpose being to prevent the signatories from overlooking it. The recently enacted amendment to the Michigan law provides that the clause be made

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WE ARE NOW IN THIS WAR

We are all in it all the way

Every single man, woman and child is a partner in the most tremendous undertaking of our American history. We must share together the bad news and the good news, the defeats and the victories—the changing fortunes of war.

(President Rouserell. Address to the Salian, December 9, 1911)

D-367—WE ARE NOW IN THIS WAR—A quotation from the December 9, 1941 address to the nation by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Size 18" x 24". Color, red blue and black.

War Poster Campaign Aids Industrial Morale

NDER the direction of Robert Horton, Director of Information, Division of Information, of the Office for Emergency Management, Washington, D. C., a nation-wide campaign to stimulate industrial morale through the distribution of colorful and appropriate posters was recently undertaken. Designed especially to appeal to industrial employees as well as government workers, the variegated hued posters tastefully combine terse messages of importance with appropriate illustrations. Distribution of the posters is currently taking place though Mr. Horton's office in Washington, D. C., as well as through the regional offices of the War Production Board throughout the nation.

Individuals, labor unions, factories, shops and transportation agencies may obtain individual copies or sets of the posters upon request, according to the Washington authorities. Large plants which require several hundred copies of each poster have obtained their required number by writing to Mr. Horton's office and stating the purposes for

which the posters are requested. No charge is made for this material, even where substantial requirements are met. As an example of the appearance of a typical poster, a sample number entitled "Give 'Em Both Barrels' is enclosed with this issue of Purchasing Magazine.

A careful check of industrial plants shows that these posters are most frequently used adjacent to plant bulletin boards, at floor landings in stair wells, inside shop offices, as decorative pieces for employe lunch rooms and recreation rooms and in departmental offices. In some cases, large plants have ordered as many as five hundred posters to take care of their total requirements, it has been reported.

New posters will be designed and distributed from time to time, according to the Division of Information. Industrial plants which request that future posters be sent to them automatically in stated quantities will receive this service automatically if they write to the Division of Information.

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UNITED WE STAND



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Description of Posters

D-1339 - UNITED WE STAND - A long streamer 11/4 x 10 feet in length. Red lettering against a white background.

D-367-WE ARE NOW IN THIS WAR-A statement from the President's Message.

D-1655-MEN WORKING TOGETHER-Especially designed for display in industrial plants.

D-1980-GIVE 'EM BOTH BARRELS-Designed by Jean Carlu in red, yellow, black and blue. Size 30" x 40".

D-00424—DON'T LET HIM DOWN-Especially decorative, red, white, blue, and black lacquered poster. Size 30" x 40".

D-2112-WANTED FOR VICTORY - Designed to conserve waste materials.



COLLECTOR OR GIVE TO A CHARITY

Left: D-00424

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CONSERVE ALUMINUM



LTHOUGH today's production of aluminum in this country is several times as great as it was in the last full peacetime year, 1938, and a further vast expansion program is under way in the industry, the military requirements of this important metal essential to aircraft production and other uses are taxing all avail-

able producing capacity to the very limit and the new capacity now under construction will scarcely do more than keep up with the constantly increasing demands during the war emergency. Looking ahead, the situation appears to be definitely under control. This is largely due to the fine cooperation of the Aluminum Company of America, which is spending more than 215 million dollars of its own funds for plant expansion, besides relinquishing—temporarily but completely—its civilian markets built up during a half century of industrial effort, and voluntarily integrating its own large hydro-electro power system in the Tennessee River Valley with that of TVA (under the latter's direction) so as to employ every available kilowatt for the production of aluminum. Other new plants are also coming into production, adding to the available supply. Meanwhile, and for many months ahead, the need for strict conservation is urgent.

To the traditional statement that every pound of aluminum used is a pound of weight saved, we may add today that every pound of aluminum saved or salvaged releases another pound of primary metal for some vital military use. Aluminum scrap generated in fabricating plants this year, if correctly handled for proper processing, will produce enough usable metal to equal the output of a fair-sized aluminum reduction plant.

I. CONSERVATION IN USE

Aluminum has been on the critical materials list since the very beginning of the defense program, and was among the first of the materials to be placed under definite control through limitation orders. The primary metal was put on a mandatory priorities status on March 22, 1941, directing the flow of supplies predominantly into channels of essential military use. On June 10th, aluminum scrap was also brought under full priority control to prevent the diversion of this potential source of supply, and the order permitting some greater latitude in the distribution of low grade metal was revoked.

On January 23, 1942, Conservation Order M-1-e was issued, prohibiting the use of aluminum (other than on Army, Navy, and Lend Lease contracts) except in the manufacture of fifteen specific items, and then only where the use of some alternate material is impracticable. These permissive uses include:

(1) Anhydrous aluminum chloride, for use only in the production of dyes for defense textiles, of highoctane gasoline, tear gas, nylon, or pharmaceuticals. Only low grade aluminum may be used.

(2) Chemical processing equipment, where chemical action precludes the use of other material.

(3) Commercial aircraft, on orders bearing A-10 or higher priority ratings.

(4) Containers for intravenous solutions and blood.(5) Fired electrolytic and paper condensers, excluding cans, for replacement of defective condensers in

existing radio receiving sets, but not for use in new sets.

(6) Match plates, patterns and snap flasks essential in the production of orders bearing A-1 or higher priority ratings. Only low grade aluminum may be used.

(7) Orthopedic equipment, where light weight is vital to operation.

(8) Pistons for engines of trucks (1½ tons or over), heavy duty tractors, diesel engines, and portable fire fighting equipment. Only low grade aluminum may be used.

(9) Repair and maintenance parts for mechanical or electrical equipment, domestic or industrial, where other material can not be used, and only where an equivalent weight of similar defective aluminum parts has been returned by the ultimate consumer and disposed of in the specified manner. Only low grade aluminum may be used.

(10) Welding rods.

(11) X-ray tube housings.

(12) As a deoxidizer or alloying agent in the manufacture of steel, within specified percentage limitations. Only low grade aluminum may be used.

(13) Thermit powders and ferroalloys.

(14) Zinc base alloy, to the extent of 2% by weight. Only low grade aluminum may be used.

(15) Other alloys, to the extent of 12% by weight. Only low grade aluminum may be used.

II. CONSERVATION IN BUYING

Conservation in the sense of getting the maximum effective utilization of metal, starts with buying. Within the limitations of use outlined above, proper buying will go a long way toward the conservation of the total aluminum supply, as well as alleviating some of the bottlenecks in capacity. This is no time to start demanding special sheet sizes, yet a careful study should be made to determine whether the proper

standard sheet sizes are being specified for the most efficient handling in each plant. On the other hand, too rigid specifications on sheet sizes often place unnecessary burdens on the producer, and may increase material costs.

Maximum capacity at the rolling mill can only be attained by making large stock runs without changing alloy or gauge. The product is then sheared to stand-

ard sizes according to the schedule of orders received. Shearing to size, especially in the larger sheets, often produces a greater quantity of smaller sizes than the producer has orders for, and unless he can sell them as such, they must be thrown in the scrap pile for rerolling. More often than not, they are quite usable to fabricators who are accustomed to ordering only large sheets, and a little ingenuity or even a slackening of size specifications on the part of the fabricator will permit these small sheets to be used without the necessity of reprocessing and rerolling them. To encourage the use of a certain number of "random standard size" sheets along with the sizes specified, producers may offer a price advantage if the customer will accept 80% of an order in the sizes specified and 20% in other "random standard" sizes.

Further widening of production bottlenecks (and likewise a possible reduction in raw material costs) may be achieved by the use of a large number of alloys. For example, the demands for 24S alloys have increased tremendously, and in some cases it is believed that the purchase of this analysis results chiefly from habit. Instances have been found where 24S was being specified for use where lower priced and more easily worked alloys such as 3S, 53S and 61S would do just as good a job, if not better. A greater use of these alloys, which can be produced more quickly, will conserve time and producing capacity, will save scarce magnesium, and may reduce the fabricator's own processing costs. Similarly with respect to forgings, Alloy A51S can sometimes be substituted to advantage for the more popular 14S and 17S alloys.

III. CONSERVATION THROUGH SALVAGE

The reclamation and salvage of aluminum scrap as a source for usable metal is doubly important today because of the shortage and because the increased use of aluminum results in the production of greater scrap tonnages to be utilized. Reclamation pays such interesting dividends that some large manufacturers have set up complete processing departments of their own. An outstanding example is the Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co., where sixty tons of aluminum alloys—enough to build five "Flying Fortresses"—have been reclaimed and melted into ingots in their own plant in a single month. Most fabricators, including aircraft manufacturers, are not equipped for such remelting, and for them it is impractical and unnecessary to carry salvage operations this far, but they have a large responsibility in conserving the supply.

Efficient reclamation demands care in the handling and preparation of scrap, and strict segregation according to form and alloy content, followed by proper processing which is normally possible only in a well equipped producing or smelting plant. To insure maximum recovery, with the metal in its most useful form, the aluminum industry worked out a complete scrap handling and salvage program with the aircraft manufacturers, where the greater tonnages of scrap are now being generated. The essentials of that plan have now been extended to all users of aluminum and are made mandatory in Supplementary Order M-1-d, which directs the handling of scrap within the plant and its return to producers and smelters for reprocessing. This

order was issued on January 11th.

Order M-1-d prohibits any person other than a producer or approved smelter from melting, smelting or reprocessing aluminum scrap except by special authorization. Fabricators who have normally been remelting scrap in their own plant for their own use, are permitted to continue this practice—only for the products for which they are currently receiving allocations of aluminum, and with reduced allocations in proportion to the amount recovered. Toll processing, repurchase, and similar arrangements are banned. Segregated scrap consisting of 17S, 24S and 52S aluminum alloys in solid form must be sold only to a producer (Aluminum Company of America or Reynolds Metals Company); segregated scrap other than these alloys, amounting to more than 1,000 pounds a month, must be sold either to a producer or to an approved smelter; mixed scrap, and segregated scrap amounting to less than 1,000 pounds a month may be sold to producer or smelter or to a regular dealer, and the dealers' operations are controlled so that the accumulations are eventually channeled to the same sources (producers

or approved smelters) for reprocessing. Any plant generating 1,000 pounds or more of aluminum scrap per month, in any form, is required to carry out the segregation program outlined in the order.

The approved aluminum smelters listed in the order

are as follows:

California: Federated Metals Div., American Smelting & Refining Co., Los Angeles and San Francisco; Berg Metal Co., Los Angeles; Morris P. Kirk & Sons, Inc., Los Angeles.

Illinois: Apex Smelting Co., Chicago; Aurora Refining Co., Aurora; Wm. F. Jobbins, Inc., Chicago; United States Reduction Co., Chicago.

Indiana: Federated Metals Div., American Smelting & Refining Co., Whiting.

Kansas: Sonken-Galamba, Kansas City.

Michigan: Federated Metals Div., American Smelting & Refining Co., Detroit; Bohn Aluminum & Brass Corp., Detroit.

Missouri: Federated Metals Div., American Smelting & Refining Co., St. Louis.

New Jersey: Federated Metals Div., American Smelting & Refining Co., St. Louis.

New York: Alloys & Products, Inc., Bronx; Electro Refractories & Alloys Co., Lackawanna; Samuel Greensfield Co., Inc., Buffalo; Niagara Falls Smelting & Refining Co., Buffalo.

Ohio: Aluminum Smelting & Refining Co., Maple Heights; Aluminum & Magnesium, Inc., Sandusky; Cleveland Electro Metals Co., Cleveland; National Bronze & Aluminum Foundry, Cleveland; National Smelting Co., Cleveland.

Pennsylvania: General Smelting Co., Philadelphia; North American Smelting Co., Philadelphia; Geo. Sall Metals Co., Philadelphia.

By restricting reprocessing to an accredited list in this way, there is assurance of proper and efficient recovery and maintenance of product standards, as well as definite control over all available tonnage of reclaimed metal.

The segregation program established in the order requires each individual alloy, and pure aluminum as well, to be segregated from the scrap of other alloys. It also requires segregation of scrap according to the form in which it is produced, into two general classifications: "Solids"—generated by shearing, clipping, cutting, blanking, or similar process; also defective or rejected wrought aluminum parts, defective or rejected castings and gates, sprues, risers, or similar foundry scrap; "Machinings"—generated by machin-

ing, drilling, boring, turning, milling or like operations. In no event shall solids and machinings be combined All scrap not segregated by alloy content, or which can not be identified by alloy content, is classed as mixed scrap, but solids and machinings in this classification are kept separate. A third grouping of mixed scrap, which is kept separate from the other two, includes grindings, sawings or other fines, drosses, skimmings and sweepings.

It is evident from these regulations that the handling of aluminum scrap must begin at the machine or in the department where the scrap is produced, in order to prevent contamination. That, too, is covered in the order. It requires that a responsible employee shall be appointed in each plant to supervise the collection, segregation and handling of all scrap. The name of this individual must be recorded with the Aluminum and Magnesium Branch of the War Production Board in Washington. All salvage functions must be performed under his direction, Except by

specific authorization of the Director of Priorities, the responsibility can not be delegated to a dealer or to any person who is not a regular employee. Whenever there is subcontracting which involves the furnishing of aluminum, the prime contractor has an obligation to see that an adequate program of scrap collection and segregation is made a part of the agreement.

The mechanics of segregation are also set forth in detail. It is to be effected by collection at the machine where the scrap is generated. Separate containers for collection and separate bins for storage must be provided for the scrap of each alloy as distinct from other alloys, and for solid and machining scrap of the same alloy. All containers and bins must be clearly marked to identify the form of scrap for which they are intended, must be used only for that form of scrap, and must be kept in good condition. In shipping segregated scrap, each unit must in turn be clearly marked as to its alloy specification, its form, and the name of the plant where the scrap was produced.

IV. IMPORTANCE OF SEGREGATION

The emphasis placed upon careful segregation in these regulations, and the detailed instructions which are incorporated into the official governmental order, are readily understood by the metallurgist and by the producer or smelter whose responsibility it is to rework the scrap into metal of definite analyses and characteristics. It may not be so clearly apparent to the fabricator and to his operators at the machines. Yet if these precautions are not observed, their accumulations of scrap—potentially valuable and urgently needed in the production of additional metal—will probably lose the greater part of their value and usefulness.

The metallurgy of alloys is an exact science, and the characteristics of each alloy depend upon adherence to an analysis with specified percentages of the various alloying elements. In plants where alloy scrap of a given analysis is merely remelted for use in the same application, the problem is relatively simple, being concerned chiefly with keeping out impurities during its preparation for re-use. In dealing with different lots of scrap, each of a known analysis, it is possible to build up the mixture with additions of the various elements to arrive at the desired percentages. But these alloying elements vary in kind as well as in percentage, and a useful element in one analysis may be an impurity (contamination) of a serious nature in another, and may be exceedingly difficult to remove, destroying the particular qualities or characteristics that the metallurgist is seeking to produce and that the fabricator demands for his product.

For example, the 24S alloy acquires certain very special characteristics by adding to the base metal (aluminum):

4.5% copper 0.6% manganese 1.5% magnesium

The 52S alloy acquires other special characteristics because it contains:

2.5% magnesium 0.25% chromium

If some scrap of the latter becomes mixed with the former, three things happen; (1) its own characteristics are lost; (2) it adversely affects the characteristics of the 24S material; (3) the chromium content of the 52S is wasted. Chromium is scarce, and like other vital metals it should be conserved. This in itself is no

small item when we consider the quantities of aluminum alloy scrap to be dealt with today.

Segregation is the all-important secret to proper handling of aluminum alloy scrap that is to be re-processed into usable metal. Conversely, contamina-tion is the "fifth columnist" whose damaging effects are so disastrous that it will nullify all segregation efforts. The worst member in the fifth column of contamination is stainless steel. Wearing the same uniform as aluminum (i.e., having the same appearance), it slips in unnoticed, and if it is not caught and removed, it will raise the iron content of the metal so high that the batch of scrap containing it is rendered useless so far as reprocessing it into a specified alloy is concerned. But as long as each aluminum alloy is kept separated from all others, and is free of ferrous alloys and other impurities, scrap can be reprocessed by aluminum producers and remelters who are equipped to handle it, to make good, usable alloy products. Of course, to obtain high and uniform characteristics in the resultant metal, the important factors are metallurgical control and "know-how."

The fabricator's part is to set up a scrap procedure carefully worked out to make it thoroughly fool-proof, and provided with adequate supervision. In any well organized aluminum scrap segregations program, contamination must be practically non-existent.

Clear identification of the different alloys is also essential. A common method is to use colored containers, or colored cards for containers, matching with colored job tickets and assigning a different color for each alloy. Loose scrap that is pressed into briquets before shipment to the remelter is similarly identified with a spot or stripe of the same color used throughout the plant.

In normal times, the urge to segregate and reclaim scrap depends largely on the supply and demand for scrap in the open market. In other words, the cost of proper segregation may pay or it may not. But today we are not concerned with normal times; our concern is with the material. Taking aluminum sheet as an example, it is believed that with reasonably good cooperation on the part of everyone, and with an all-out conservation effort, segregated scrap available for reprocessing would amount to 15% or 20% of the sheet fabricated. And this is by no means a small figure, in view of the quantities of aluminum sheet which are going into the defense industries today.

BASING POINT PRICES UNDER WARTIME PRICE CONTROL

O. P. A. ceiling price schedules have recognized this controversial practice, and have sanctioned its use without giving it official endorsement

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ITH the advent of Governmental price control under, at first, Defense, then later, actual War conditions, an observer might well have wondered what action the Government would take on that most controversial of industrial price policies—the basing-point pricing system. And this would not have been an idle inquiry. For many years various branches of the Government have inveighed against this pricing policy as maintained and operated in American industry.

At the forefront in the attack has been the Federal Trade Commission. This administrative agency, established under the Federal Trade Commission Act in 1914, was empowered by Congress to take administrative action against "unfair methods of competition" in industry, a phrase since liberally construed by the Courts to apply not only to unfair competitive practices, affecting the plane of competition, but also to restraints of competition, affecting the very mainte-nance of competition itself. In various studies of particular industries, particularly the iron and steel industry, prepared and published by it over the years, the Commission has made quite clear its bitterly hostile attitude toward the pricing system as the very diabolical invention of the Devil to create or facilitate monopolistic conditions in industry. In actual complaints, several now pending, it has proceeded to exercise its statutory authority in attempts to strike down this pricing policy. The industries against which the Commission has initiated complaints include cement; combination wood and wire portable corn cribs and silos; agricultural, chemical and building lime; rigid steel conduit; vitrified clay sewer pipe; power cable and wire; malting barley; hardwood charcoal; industrial rivets; milk and ice cream cans; snow fence; book paper, coated paper and similar papers; paper, pulp and wooden dishes; calcium chloride; water gate valves, hydrants, fittings and similar products; and veneer containers for packing fruits and vegetables. The mere recital of these numerous complaints can leave no doubt that in its attitude on this policy the Commission "ain't fooling."

The Department of Justice, the other prosecuting agency of the Government under the Anti-trust Laws, has also taken official action in striking at basing-point

pricing systems. The most notable instance was its successful suit, fiercely contested, against the Sugar Institute, the trade association for the sugar refiners, where among the numerous activities involved was the alleged uniform adoption, or at least maintenance, of a "freight application" pricing system, a variation of the basing-point pricing system. Other industries the objects of more recent attacks include the potash industry, involving specifically a "C.I.F." pricing system, and the newsprint industry, involving specifically a regional zone pricing system, both merely variations of the fundamental basing-point pricing system.

The Treasury Department, through its Procurement Division, has on numerous occasions complained to other branches of the Government of uniform identical bids, even to the third or fourth decimal place, submitted by the various manufacturers in industries observing the pricing system. Testimony to this effect was also furnished by the Treasury Department in the hearings before the T.N.E.C.

The Department of the Interior has also been confronted with the same situation of uniform delivered prices on purchases from manufacturers in basing-point pricing system industries for various Governmental projects. Secretary Ickes, when confronted with these situations, has been induced to award the particular contracts to those manufacturers located most distant freight-wise from the particular Governmental projects, presumably on the theory that if the Government could not benefit by alleged absence of competition among the manufacturers then at least the hard-pressed railroads might benefit by the increased freight revenue.

Relatively recently the T.N.E.C. closed its long-extended hearings on the causes and effects of economic and financial concentration and the decline of competition in an effort to determine the underlying weaknesses and defects of the American economy. Conspicuous among the subjects reviewed was the basing-point pricing system, with especial reference to its operation in the steel industry, every phase being thoroughly canvassed. Only the outbreak of more dramatic events has prevented Congressional consideration of and action upon the resulting findings and conclusions.

These vitriolic aspersions upon the pricing system have even passed from the stage of verbal denunciations to the stage of proposed remedial legislation. Bills have been introduced in Congress and extended hearings held on them, specifically designed to prohibit the system. In this connection the Federal Trade Commission has been a leading advocate of legislation outlawing the system.

Independent economists as well have attacked this pricing policy. One leading economist in particular has even written an extended book on the subject, dripping with the most caustic criticism. Its very title, for example, characterizes the policy as constituting the "Masquerade of Monopoly."

Has Government Relented?

In view of this substantial volume of criticism, more approaching outright denunciation, most of it originating in Government circles themselves, the adoption by the Office of Price Administration of various price schedules giving apparently full official recognition to the existing basing-point pricing system in the particular industry might well at first appear to our observer indeed surprising. Price schedules fixing maximum prices, promulgated by the O.P.A., have thus recognized the respective multiple basing-point pricing systems in the iron and steel products manufacture, iron and steel products resale, iron and steel scrap, coke, relaying rail, and formaldehyde industries; the respective freight equalization pricing systems in the asphalt or tarred roofing products and the paraffin wax industries; the respective regional zone pricing systems in the copper, acetone, glycerine, normal butyl alcohol, and wood alcohol industries; and the flat delivered price area pricing system in the paper board industry (East of the Rocky Mountains). No, indeed -there is no mistaking it-the telltale indicia of the system are there, such as in the Price Schedule for the Iron and Steel Products industry, where appear "basing points," "governing basing points," "base prices," "extras," "price leadership," "delivered prices," etc.

Whatever the past attitude of different Governmental departments may have been, the important question that now naturally arises is whether this action by the O.P.A. is evidence of a complete change in attitude by the Government toward the pricing system, or at least of a definite trend in the other direction. To some industries whose whole price structure has long been based upon the system, such an event would indeed border too much on the miraculous to be true, for it would relieve them of the ever-present danger of Governmental denunciations, investigations, legislation, and even actual prosecutions under the Anti-Trust Laws, Other circles, on the other hand, in sharp contrast would undoubtedly consider such an event a catastrophe, second in devastating effects to the repeal of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act itself, affecting the whole economic fabric of American life, with probable economic, social and political repercussions.

The O.P.A. itself has sought, at least purportedly,

to avoid either possible inference by these two antagonistic groups and to preserve for itself a neutral position. In the important Price Schedule for the Iron and Steel Products Industry, practically the first Schedule recognizing a basing-point pricing system, the O.P.A. thought it necessary to make the following cautious

reservation:

"In this Price Schedule the Office of Price Administration and Civilian Supply is utilizing the basing point, price leadership and extras systems, presently in effect in the steel industry, including the customary practice of steel



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producers in gearing their own delivered prices to the base prices announced by recognized price leaders. Such acceptance of these systems, merely as a vehicle for determining prices, should not be regarded as approval thereof, nor should this reservation be regarded as indicating dispersional." approval.

Similarly in the price schedule for the Asphalt or Tarred Roofing industry, some 40 Price Schedules later, the O.P.A. again apparently thought it necessary to repeat a similar cautious reservation:

"The Schedule utilizes the shipping point, freight equaliration, and allowance systems presently in effect in this industry, including the customary practice of free deliveries in free shipping zones. Such acceptance and incorporation of these systems into this Schedule, merely as a vehicle for determining prices, should not be regarded as approval thereof, nor should this reservation be regarded as disapproval."

In spite of these cautionary reservations, neither of the opposing groups will of course feel itself deceived by these disclaimers. Each group will undoubtedly draw its own inferences, naturally to coincide with its

own predilections.

This question of future Governmental policy, as indicated, is thus far from academic. It is not academic to the industries observing the pricing system. The United States Steel Corporation, for example, in preparation for the hearings before the T.N.E.C. on the basing-point pricing system in the steel industry, retained outside expert economists and incurred other substantial financial expenditures in attempted defense and justification of the system. Following the hearings,

moreover, it published and circulated handsomelybound copies of certain of the studies prepared for it. All this time, effort and expense was obviously not incurred merely for the sole purpose of making an additional contribution to the economic literature on the subject—it was incurred in a determined effort to furnish an economic justification of a pricing system that appeared in danger of being the object of legislative prohibition or restriction, affecting vitally the whole

price structure of the industry.

To industrial purchasers the question is also far from academic. Engaged in purchasing the materials, goods or products of the manufacturers in the basingpoint industries, they are vitally affected through the prices charged for their purchases. "Vital" is indeed the proper descriptive term, if the action of a certain group of industrial purchasers in the Chicago area during the early 1920's affords any criterion. At such time industrial purchasers located in the Chicago area, engaged in purchasing rolled steel products from nearby steel mills, were compelled to pay delivered prices reflecting "phantom" freight from Pittsburgh to Chicago, pursuant to the "Pittsburgh plus" pricing system, a single basing-point pricing system, then observed in the steel industry. Finding themselves injuriously affected with relation to competing industrial purchasers more favorably located with reference to Pittsburgh as the basing-point in the steel industry, the Chicago group finally initiated proceedings before the Federal Trade Commission. After extended hearings the proceedings culminated in a cease-and-desist order by the Commission in 1924 against the United States Steel Corporation and its subsidiaries. A multiple basing-point pricing system was thereafter adopted. Only the relatively recent passage of the Wheeler-Lea Act, making final any order of the Commission not appealed from within a certain period, has caused the Corporation to seek a judicial review of this order in the courts. Unless the present generation of industrial Purchasing Agents are a different breed of men from their predecessors, they, too, must consider the question of Governmental policy a vital one.

A Question of Economics

An evaluation of the significance, if any, of the action of the OPA respecting further Governmental policy toward the basing-point pricing system must necessarily depend upon the nature and operation of this pricing system, and its economic effects. A brief review of these subjects, all that space limitations permit, will indicate what the verbal fireworks are all about.

The basing-point pricing system, essentially, consists merely of a price formula for the determination of uniform delivered prices at any destination point, irrespective of the many variable factors that ordinarily enter into the determination of delivered prices. These variable factors include differing mill prices, if any, at the various manufacturing plants; differing freight rates from the widely-scattered manufacturing plants to the equally dispersed consuming centers; differing transportation methods, such as rail, water or truck, varying in their relative costs; differing rail rates themselves, as diversely interpreted from the complex railroad tariffs; differing actual weights on the same type of products as between the various manufacturers, with necessarily differing actual transportation costs, based on actual weights; and differing specifications ordered by purchasers, with the varying additional or reduced costs. All these variable factors the basing-point formula purports to reconcile into a single uniform delivered price at any destination point charged by any seller, regardless of these many differences, if any, in mill prices, transportation costs, transportation methods, freight tariff interpretations, actual weights of products, or purchasers' specifications. Although thus a remarkable all-reconciling pricing formula indeed, yet so relatively simple may the application of this formula become in actual practice that any salesman or billing clerk who knows his arithmetic may readily arrive at the determination of the same identical delivered prices at any destination point as may the salesman or billing clerk of a competitor.

Easy If You Know How

This remarkable uniformity in delivered prices on the part of all manufacturers in an industry, hardly the result of pure coincidence, is achieved by relatively simple devices or expedients, well illustrating the com-mon saying, "It's simple when you know how," The primary factors in the determination of uniform delivered prices-varying mill prices and varying transportation costs as between the different manufacturing plants-are handled by the pricing formula proper, whatever its form, namely: lowest combination of basing-point price and freight determines the delivered price at any destination point. Where a single producing point is recognized in the industry as the "basing point" for the industry (i.e., the "single basing-point pricing system"), then the simple sum of this basingpoint price and the rail freight rate from this point to the particular destination point determines the delivered price at the destination point, irrespective of the actual shipping point and of the actual transportation cost. Since only one basing-point exists under this form, the "lowest combination" formula involves only the simple sum of basing-point price and freight. The notorious "Pittsburgh-plus" pricing system in the steel industry, prior to the Federal Trade Commission cease-and-desist order in 1924, was a single basingpoint pricing system, with Pittsburgh as the basingpoint, the simple sum of the price at Pittsburgh and the rail freight rate from Pittsburgh to the destination point determining the delivered price, regardless of the location of the actual shipping point and of the actual transportation cost. The "Pittsburgh-plus" pricing system is in fact the classic illustration of a single basing-point pricing system. For a more recent illustration, the manufacturers in the cast iron soil pipe industry, with their plants variously located in many States, have also observed a single basing-point pricing system ("Birmingham-plus"), with the simple sum of the price at Birmingham, Alabama, and the rail freight rate from Birmingham to destination point determining the delivered price at any destination point.

Where certain only of the producing points are recognized in the industry as the basing-points (i.e., the "multiple basing-point pricing system"), then the lowest combination, as distinguished from the simple sum, of basing-point price and freight determines the delivered price. The cement industry illustrates this system on a national or regional basis, as does also the the agricultural, chemical and building lime industry on

a regional basis.

Where all the producing points, rather than merely certain points, are recognized in the industry as basing-points, (i.e., "the freight equalization pricing system"), the same formula of *lowest combination* of basing point price and freight determines the delivered price at any destination point, regardless of the actual ship-

ing point and the actual transportation charges. The isphalt or tarred roofing products industry, previously ited in other connections, serves as an illustration of this particular form of basing-point pricing system.

Where the marketing territory is recognized as a single regional zone or as divided into multiple regional zones (i.e., the "regional zone pricing system"), then the delivered price under the basing-point pricing system consists of the flat delivered price in the particular zone. Although somewhat differing in form, this pricing system is still essentially a basing-point pricing system, for the flat delivered price is generally determined by the sum of an arbitrarily-assumed mill price and the weighted average transportation cost to the various destination points within the single regional zone or within the basic zone in the case of multiple regional zones, with certain differentials added to determine the delivered prices in succeeding regional zones. Illustrative industries include newsprint, book and coated papers, snow fences, and veneer containers

for packaging fruits and vegetables.

The secondary factors in the determination of uniform delivered prices—differing transportation methods, freight tariff interpretations, weights of products, and purchasers' specifications—ordinarily complicating, if not preventing, the determination of uniform delivered prices, are handled by other equally effective devices, each integrated into the pricing system. Differences in transportation methods, such as rail, water, truck or a combination of these, with their varying transportation charges, are effectively eliminated as a disturbing element in determining uniform delivered prices by the simple expedient of calculating delivered prices on an "all-rail basis," regardless of the actual method of shipment. By simply ignoring these other transportation methods, these other methods simply cease to exist for the purpose of pricing. Differences in possible interpretation of complex freight tariffs, resulting in differing applicable freight rates, are equally effectively obviated by the uniform observance of a "common freight rate book" compiled and circulated by the manufacturer group or perhaps by the leading manufacturer as the price leader in the

Differences in the actual weights of the products, regardless of identity in specifications, upon which basis actual freight charges are incurred, are handled also equally effectively by the uniform adoption and observance of "uniform weight tables." Differences in purchasers' specifications in the industry's products, requiring the use of "extras" for specifications exceeding the standard specifications and of "deductions" specifications falling short of the standard specifications, such as in the steel industry, are handled by the uniform adoption and observance of "uniform extras and deductions,"

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In short, the effects of the differences in secondary factors entering into the pricing of goods on a delivered price basis, are effectively eliminated by the uniform observance of the same transportation method, "common freight rate book," "uniform weight tables," and "uniform extras and deductions." Not much room, in fact no room, is left for the independent determination of delivered prices reflecting the several primary and secondary factors entering into this determination. This uniform observance, it must be noted, may result not necessarily from any concerted action or agreement among the manufacturers in the industry but from the long established custom



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or practice in the industry voluntarily and independently recognized and observed by each individual manufacturer.

As might be expected, the economic soundness of a basing-point pricing system in an industry has been seriously questioned. The general economic effects of a basing-point pricing system are stated to include the elimination, even though not complete, of price competition through the establishment, maintenance and enforcement of a uniform delivered price or "oneprice" system to all purchasers at any destination point; the maintenance of high prices because of the wasteful cross-hauling and duplicated selling expenses: the maintenance of prices at unduly high levels in order to cover the relatively high costs of the less efficient and less economic producers; the facilitation of price leadership on the part of the larger enterprises in the determination of prices at the basing-points; and the inducement of new mergers or, at least, the favoring of existing mergers because of the minimization of transportation costs resulting from the control of strategically-located plants at widely-scattered

With respect specifically to "basing-point" producers, additional economic effects are stated to include: the maintenance of high prices in the producer's natural freight rate territory; the maintenance of high prices in at least a part of the producer's natural freight rate territory, even upon the reduction of prices at neighboring basing-points; the reflection of competition through the absorption or absence of

absorption of freight rather than through price reduction, a relatively high base price merely encouraging freight absorption by competing sellers at neighboring basing-points, while a relatively low base price merely discouraging freight absorption; the removal of any downward pressure on prices through the reduction of base prices for increasing sales; and the giving of an undue price advantage to local purchasers located at a base reducing prices over competitive purchasers located at another base not reducing prices.

The economic effects of a basing-point system, in short, whether general in nature or having specific reference to basing-point mills or to non-basing-point mills, it is charged, include the elimination of price competition, the maintenance of unduly high prices, the favoring of certain classes of purchasers over other classes, and the favoring of subsidiary operating companies of a parent selling company over competing independent purchasers. The f.o.b. mill pricing system is then advocated as a pricing system that will curb the worst and the most of the acknowledged evils of the basing-point pricing system and that goes the furthest in compelling price competition.

Perfect Competition Is Rare

The basing-point pricing system has been defended. on the other hand, on two main grounds: (1) "inherently monopolistic conditions" in the particular industry, and (2) "vested interests" in the particular industry. With respect to the first ground, the economic characteristics or conditions in the particular industry may effectively preclude "perfect" competition, which is that state of competition under which only one price for a product at any given time can exist in a given market area due to the free interaction of the forces of supply and demand. The economic requirements of "perfect" competition are strict, including a relatively large number of sellers and buyers, freedom of action, freedom of entry, full knowledge of supply and demand conditions, standardization of product, absence of non-price preferences, and reflection of transportation costs in the price. In many industries manufacturing goods, however, the number of sellers may be relatively few, supply may be dependent on demand and conditioned upon the price, the relative location of plants to consuming markets may have been determined by assembly or production costs rather than by transportation costs, transportation may be relatively high, overhead costs may be high, and demand for the goods may be inelastic. In the steel industry, for example, a few large enterprises dominate the industry, the location of plants is determined not by the proximity to the market but by the assembly costs of coal and ore, transportation costs are heavy, overhead costs are high, demand is highly inelastic, and plant capacity is periodically if not chronically unutilized.

With respect to the second ground, "vested interests" in the particular industry, a basing-point pricing system may have been originally followed in the industry because of the relatively great importance of large-scale or mass production, substantial plant investment, high overhead costs, and hazards of "destructive" price competition. Producing plants, in reliance upon such a pricing system in the industry, may thereupon have been established or maintained on the basis of assembly costs rather than of proximity to markets, while the expansion of producing plants may have occurred on the same basis as well as on the basis of production economies from plant integration. Location of producing plants in consuming market areas offered on inducement, especially in view of the risk of partial utilization, the burden of high assembly costs, and the loss of production economies. The basing-point location, moreover, enabling shipments to be made without any price disadvantage, offered a special inducement for further expansion. Consuming plants of industrial purchasers may similarly have been established, maintained or expanded in reliance upon the continuance of the pricing system. The conclusion is then drawn that the maintenance of a basingpoint pricing system in an industry over a long period of time, effecting and conditioning considerable plant investment of both producing and consuming plants, has given rise to certain vested rights on the part of such plants in the continuance of the pricing system, or at least in compensation for loss of such rights in the case of elimination of the system.

Considering, then, the various main alternative pricing systems, the basing-point pricing system is found by this defensive argument the most preferable. The f.o.b. mill pricing system, although having the advantages of eliminating wasteful cross-hauling and duplicated selling effort and expense and of concentrating competition on price, is rejected as destroying the vested rights of producing mills as well as of consuming mills of industrial purchasers in the present advantages of their existing locations, as tending to induce "destructive" or "ruinous" competition for preservation of local markets, as tending to build up a series of "local monopolies", and as being ineffective in any event because of oligopolistic market conditions in inducing price competition. The f.o.b. mill, with freight absorption privilege, pricing system, although having the advantage of eliminating nonbasing-points, is also rejected as not ordinarily avoiding cross-hauling, as not resulting necessarily in uniform mill-nets, and as not differing considerably from the basing-point pricing system itself. A zone-price system, although having the advantages of price simplicity, stability and equality within each price-zone, is similarly rejected as not avoiding cross-hauling, as not resulting in uniform mill-nets, and as involving certain special administrative difficulties.

This defense of the basing-point pricing system, based on the inherently monopolistic conditions in the particular industry and on the existence of vested interests in the particular industry, has in turn, it may be noted, been caustically criticized. With respect to the "inherently monopolistic conditions" argument, the factor of overhead costs, in part basic and essential to the argument, it is pointed out, is given an undue and improper importance in the termination of price policy for an industry, since overhead costs are not peculiar to any particular industry but are present in every industry, their relative importance being simply a matter of degree; the effect of mergers, rather than of overhead costs, in reducing the number of competitive sellers, is ignored; and the effect of collusion between members of the industry in determining the industry pricing policy is also practically ignored. The argument, it is further pointed out, seeks to justify the basing-point pricing system by trying to discredit the f.o.b. mill pricing system through describing competition in exaggerated terms of "perfect" competition, and by exaggerating the dangers of "unregulated" competition if the basing-point pricing system is abolished. The argument, in short, it is pointed out, seeks

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The dictators are so busy making history that they haven't taken the time to study the chapter which teaches that there's always a big job for the rebuilders when the destroyers wind up in the doghouse.

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NCE upon a time there flourished in France a king named Louis, fourteenth of the name. Louis was a gay boy, and he rolled 'em high, free and liberal. He didn't care where the money came from, so long as he got it; and he got most of it. Most of the jack in the realm came to Louis in one way or another, and most of it he blew on wine, women, and song.

But Louis is chiefly remembered for two sayings: "L'etat c'est moi," and "Après moi, le deluge." In the vernacular of the Purchasing Agent, these historic remarks may be freely rendered: "If you want to know who's boss around here, start something," and "When I get through, anyone who wants to can pick up the pieces."

Two more of the same name followed him. Both ignored the scattered fragments, and the second wound up with his head in a basket. Later a bird named Napoleon tried picking up the pieces; if he had stuck to the French variety he might have made a job of it, but he got ideas and tried to hog the whole European show. But something back-fired on him; the pieces were knocked out of his hands, and Napoleon was assigned a most remote and uncomfortable doghouse.

Most of us can remember how Germany was making monkeys out of the rest of the world, commercially, in the early days of this Twentieth Century. They worked, were persistent, ingenious, enterprising. They were smart enough to find out what the peoples of the earth wanted in the way of goods, and gave them what they wanted. The cream of world trade was rolling their way. Everybody complained, but that didn't worry Germany. But the Germans got ideas; Kaiser Willie had been fabricating and polishing a nice large new snickersnee; he figured Germany might as well go the whole hog and annex the customers as well as the trade, so he started sticking the point of his sword into them to make them squirm into his hands. Willie ended chopping wood in the backyard of his nice new doghouse.

The war started in 1914. We got into it in 1917, delivered a few wholesome socks, mostly with borrowed brass knuckles. There never had been a war like this one, and most people figured there never could be another. We thought we could fix it that way, but got horse-traded out of the kind of settlement we wanted to make. Everybody was busted, Germany

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was in pieces; and Europe settled down uncomfortably with a lot of ulcers festering under racial hides, and bound to break out sooner or later. When did any nation refrain from getting into a scrap just

because it was busted?

Smarting for years under conditions sadly different from his pre-war prosperity, the Hun broke loose again. An individual, whose real name I am told was Schickelgruber, came to the front. But "Heil Schickelgruber" semed a little hard to handle, so it became "Heil Hitler." It still is—so far. And Herr Schickelgruber was blue-mouldy for a scrap. I think it is Mr. Shirer who describes how he goes into a rage, belly-flops on the floor and chews the edges of the rug. But he did build a military force that made Kaiser Willie's shining sword look like a kitchen knife, and so far he has given everybody a hell of a time with it.

We are all in it for keeps. It is a strange combination we face—the Schickelgrubers, the Mussolinis, and the Hordes of Little Yellow Apes of Nippon. Any one of the three would sell the other two down the river for six bits per each, and they all know it; and it is this incongruous combination that has the still virile and unconquered peoples of the earth fighting for lives and liberty. No use talking, the rug-chewing Herr Schickelgruber caught most of us with our pants

at half-mast.

For a time, after the last peace settlement, we were all swelled up like a lot of poisoned pups. We did a whale of a business at sky-high prices, lent a lot of money we'll never get back. Stocks and commodities were hitched to balloons. The balloons went up—and came down. Values nose-dived to the point where some of them caught fire and there weren't no values. After our war between the states, reconstruction was a mess. Ignorance and incompetence, politics and prejudice, got in their work. After the peace of 1919, it was the same sort of mess, only bigger. In neither case did the right sort of men, with the right sort of brains, tackle the job with the right sort of motive. And after this war is over we are going to need brains and patience and tolerance and far-sightedness to avoid consequences direr even than the last.

At the peace table there will be a few able and highminded gentlemen, trying with their might to safeguard the future. There will also be among those present, pirates, horse-traders, shell workers, threecard monte men, and the ever present seekers of personal or national profit. And there will be those who have had gunpowder rubbed into their eyes until all Colonel Mulberry Sellers' eve-wash won't rub it out

again.

There won't be much merchandise left outside of that devised for blowing the other fellow to hell-and-gone. You can't turn guns and tanks and military planes into the paths of commerce except via the junk yard; and besides, nobody will feel safe without a few weapons on hand in shootable condition. There won't be any money; and looting any kind of a lunch wagon looks good to the busted and hungry.

With money and merchandise short, with industry trying to shift from construction to destruction, with pork barrels and pension—and bonus-grabbing, with

the whole damned crazy rush to national and international pie counters, let us hope for the emergence from the ruck of some sort of enlightened statesmanship that may help clear matters up.

The Purchasing Agent-such

of him as may be left—is in for a tough time. It's tough enough now, with everybody scrambling for everything that isn't nailed down by government orders. But the Purchasing Agent will be a most necessary factor in unscrambling eggs not only scrambled, but addled; it might be easier to start from scratch with nothing at all to work with. And it obviously won't do to get too civilized at the start. In beating shooting irons into washing machines, we'll have to hold out a few to keep the Jerries and Japs pious, if they ever get that way. I wonder how many isolationists will be left by that time?

The Purchasing Agent is going to be a big factor in this picking up of pieces. He must help weld these shattered fragments into marketable units. It will be part of his job helping push the units over assembly lines. And the fruit of his efforts will go mostly to the tax collector. There's going to be a lot of stuff to sell and not much money to pay for it. And Senators Sorghum and Cotton and their like will howl from the house-tops that we mustn't try to sell any country that has anything to sell us. But there's going to be a tremendous productive capacity to keep busy, and who's going to use and pay for the product?

One of the more prominent members of the Ford clan once remarked that History is Bunk. A lot of people who think history a sort of excrescence on public school curricula, wanted to know how he got that way. We all know that history, as generally taught, is Bunk. Very Bunk. But when one studies it faithfully and well, some things begin to loom up. Has any nation ever profited by history? Damn few of them. If Kaiser Willie had scrutinized the pages of history, his herd of performing goose-steppers would have kept on worrying the rest of us out of world markets until we woke up. If Herr Schickelgruber had profited by the pages of history instead of writing "Mein Kampf" in his jail-house, Germany wouldn't have asked for another shellacking at the behest of a diseased rug-chewing neurotic.

England lost the American colonies; but the loss taught her how to hold the loyalty of other colonies by treating them as self-respecting peoples.

So, sonder or later, Herr Schickelgruber will chew his rugs in a very special kind of doghouse.

I am one of those skeptics who consider purchasing, not as a profession, but as a job. A damned important job now, but still more important in the future. But now is the time for all Purchasing Agents, organized into a rational, sound, and common-sense body, to work together, to talk freely with one another, to compare notes and experiences: to operate more than ever as a body to deal constructively and intelligently in the distribution and utilization of commodities. A lot of our employers are going to display the most marvelous agility in keeping a hop or two ahead of the sheriff. If they are smart, they will work together, and hop ahead together.

Being a Purchasing Agent now isn't the easiest job in the world. Uncle Sam is so heavily in the market that he is the market. The long, grasping arm of the government reaches across everything. You can't get your fingers into the pie-dish until your Uncle gets

his; and you're damn lucky if he

leaves you a lick.

From the practice and discipline of picking up pieces when the shooting is over, we are quite likely to develop a purchasing psychology far ahead of anything we have yet seen.



THE MARKET PLACE



Quotations on basic materials for carloads or mill shipments, with comparative prices quoted one month ago and one year ago

(*denotes ceiling price)

ACIDS	Mar. 1 1941	Jan. 20 1942	Feb. 20 1942
Acetic, 28%, cwt	2.23	3.18	3.38*↑
Muriatic, 18 deg., cwt	1.50	1.50	1.50
Nitric, 36 deg., cwt		5.00	5.00
Oxalic, Works, cwt		11.25	11.25*
Phenol, Works, cwt		14.25	14.25
Sulphuric, 66 deg., ton	16.50	16.50	16.50



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Brick, N. Y. dock, per M	12.00	12.00	12.00
Cement, f.o.b, plant, bbl		2.15	2.15
Glass, single B, per box	2.70	3.45	3.14 ↓
Lime, pulv., N.Y., per ton			17.00
Nails, wire, per keg		2.55	2.55*
Oak flooring, per M. ft	80.00	85.00	85.00
Southern pine, K.C., per M. ft.	31.69	40.50	42.50* ↑

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3	HEMICALS			
	Alcohol, denatured, gal	.321/2	.65	.65*
	Works, cwt	1.15	1.15	1.15
	Ammonia, aqua, 26 deg., drums	.021/4	.021/4	.021/3
	Arsenic,			
	White, cwt	3.50	4.00	4.00
	Red, cwt		nom.	nom.
	Barium			
	Chloride, ton	77.00	77.00	77.00
	Carbonate, ton	56.50	56.50	56.50
	Benzol, pure, gal	.14	.15	.15
	Borax, powd., ton	48.00	48.00	50.00 ↑
	Chlorine, cwt	1.75	2.00	2.00
	Formaldehyde, lb	.051/4	.051/4	.051/43
	Glycerine, drums, lb	.121/2	.181/4	.181/4
	Lead acetate, white, broken,			
	cwt	11.00	12.50	12.50
	Nickel sulphate			
	Double	.13	.13	.13
	Single	.13	.13	.13
	Potash			
	Caustic, solid	$.06\frac{1}{4}$.061/4	.061
	Permanganate	.20	.201/2	.201
	Sal Ammoniac			
	Gran. white, cwt	4.50	4.50	4.50
	Gran. gray, cwt	5.75	5.75	5.75

COAL & COKE

Anthracite, stove, mines	6.25	6.75	6.75
Bituminous, Cleaf, mine run	2.50	2.70	2.70
Beehive Coke, Connellsville	5.00	6.00	6.00
By-product Coke, Newark	11.85	12.45	12.45

FERTILIZERS

Muriate potash, 62-63%, per unit K 20.	.531/2	.531/4	.531/4
Sulphate potash, 90-95%, bags. 30		36.25	nom.
Nitrate soda, bulk 2		27.00	27.00
Sulphate ammonia, dom., bulk. 2		29.00	29.00
Steamed bonemeal, 3 and 50 per			
ton 3	4.00	37.50	37.50

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Barley, malting, bu	.751/4	.913/4	.95 1	
Corn, No. 3, yellow, bu	.613/4	.81	.821/2	*
Oats, No. 2, white, bu	.38	.603/4	.591/4	V
Rve, No. 2, Western, bu	.601/8	.963/8	1.00 ↑	
Wheat, No. 2, hard winter, bu.	.783/4	1.241/2	1.211/4	4
Flour, spring patents, 196 lbs	5.00	6.80	6.60 ₺	

HIDES

Light native cows, lb	.123/4	.151/2	.151/21
Heavy native steers, lb	.121/2	.151/2	.151/2
Calfskins, 5-7 lbs. per skin	1.60	1.65	1.65*

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PAPER

News, roll, ton	7.40
	6.00 ↑
	4.75 ↑
	8.75
	15.00*
	36.00
Wood pulp, sulph., No. 1, cwt. 3.17½ 3.17½	3.171/2



METALS, NON-FERROUS

Aluminum, virgin ingots	.17	.15	.15
Antimony, American, spot	.14	.14	.14
Copper			
Electrolytic	.12	.12	.12*
Chromium, 97%, spot	.84	.84	.84
Lead, E. St. Louis	.055		.0635
Nickel, ingot	.35	.35	.35
Quicksilver, flask	173.00	203.00	198.96*
Silver, bars, N. Y., per oz	.343/4	.351/8	.351/8
Tin, Straits, spot	.513/8	.52	
Zinc, E. St. Louis			.0825

PETROLEUM

Crude, Mid-Continent	1.02	1.17	1.17
Crude, Penna	1.89	2.30	2.30*
Gasoline	.051/2	.08	.083 1
Bunker Oil C		1.35	1.35*
Kerosene, 41-43 grav	.049	.053	.053*
Penn. bright stock, light, 25			
P. T	.21	.36	.36
Penn. cylinder oil, 600 flash	.18	.261/2	.261/2



METAL PRODUCTS

Copper,	wire,	bare, cwt	15.375	15.375	15.375
Yellow	brass	sheets, high	19.48	19.48	19.48

RUBBER

Smoked sheets	.21	.22	.221/2+1
(† Rubber Reserve Co. selling			





NAVAL STORES

Turpentine, gal.	cwt	.45½	.82½	.82 \
Rosin, Grade B,		2.21	3.75	3.75
rosm, Grade D,	CW1	2.21	3.73	3.73

PAINT MATERIALS

White lead, dry, basic, car-			
bonate	.071/2	.071/2	$.07\frac{1}{2}$
Carbon black	.03075	.03625	.03625
Shellac, orange	.16	.32	.32 *
Linseed oil	.095	.113	.119 ↑

TEXTILES

Cotton middlings, Galvesto	n098	.185	.1891 1	
Cotton yarns, 22s	261/2	.415	.42 1	
Print cloths, 381/2", 64 x 60	057/8	08598	.08691*	4
Sheetings, 37", 48 x 48	067/8	.09875		
Wool, fine combing, 1/2-blood		1.15	1.15*	
Worsted yarns, French 2.40s		nom.	nom.	
Worsted yarns, English 2-40	s. 1.771/2	nom.	nom.	
Silk, Japan, double ex. crac	ks 2.64	3.08	3.08*	
Rayon viscose, 150, 40s		.55	.55	
Burlap, 10½-oz., 40"		.1150	.1150*	
Hemp, Manila	07	.101/4	.101/4	

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PORTABLE OZONE UNIT



■ A portable, automatic unit that produces pure, clear, colorless, tasteless, odorless water without the use of chlorine or other chemicals has been developed by the Technicraft Engineering Company, Los Angeles, California. The unit has a capacity in excess of 1200 gallons per hour and can be installed on any tank or water storage container. For field use a 250-gallon canvas bag is used. Power is supplied from 110-volt, 50-60 cycle outlet or by a portable gasoline-electric generator. Operation is entirely electrical. No chlorine or other chemicals now restricted for military requirements are needed.

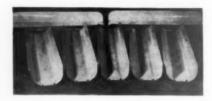
The sterilizing agent employed is ozone generated by the silent electrical discharge maintained at 11,000 volts. Injected directly into the water passing through the unit, the ozone completely oxidizes bacterial contamination and produces pure, clear, colorless, odorless, tasteless water. Sterozone treatment of water will remove objectionable tastes and odors produced by overtreatment of chlorine.

Because of the simplicity and efficiency of the unit, it has wide and varied applications wherever pure water requirements are maintained. In swimming pools the advantages of ozone purified water are the freedom from irritation to the eyes, nose and throat,

lack of odor, suppression of algae and continuous aeration of the water. For steamships it can be installed directly in the ship's scuttle-butt to supply palatable water for drinking. For military uses the unit is of great value to troops in the field to supply pure drinking water from almost any source.

It is ideally suited for water purification on farms, ranches, construction camps and all rural localities. Breweries, dairies, faundries, bottling plants and all process industries which must have purified water can be supplied.

FLUORESCENT REFLECTOR TROUGHS



■ Victory-bent war industries demand high efficiency and reduction of spoilage and rejects. These vital factories, offices, shops and "black-out" plants recognize the importance of good illumination to eliminate harsh shadows, erase eve-strain and boost morale. Fluorescent lighting accomplishes all this because it is glareless and well diffused. Since 1937 more and more industries have been finding fluorescent lighting fixtures excellent investments. A parallel trend can be seen in the increased use of porcelain enameled reflectors. Owing to their high reflective value, large numbers of porcelain enameled reflector troughs fabricated from Armco enameling iron are being made by such concerns as The Ingram-Richardson Manufacturing Company of Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania. The smooth surface of these reflectors is unaffected by dirt and can be cleaned readily with a damp cloth.

INDUSTRIAL BRUSH SPEEDS DEFENSE WORK



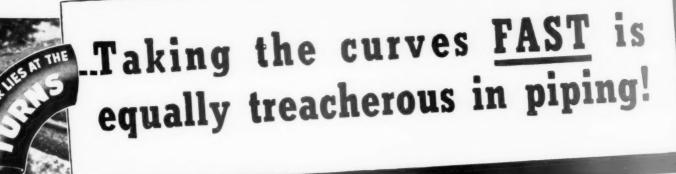
■ A new type of Tampico fiber industrial brush, treated by a secret process, has been announced by The Osborn Manufacturing Company, Cleveland, Ohio. It is expected to speed war production in many industries, including automotive, aircraft, shipbuilding and any other requiring brushing equipment to remove burrs, polish or form metal parts, or to finish welded seams.

Used with the proper abrasives, the brush will remove tool marks from aircraft motor parts, such as connecting rods, tappets, cams, etc. Another application of the section is the slight rounding of corners of different motor parts, gear teeth and similar products.

The brush will remove burrs without damage, when used without abrasives, from metals such as aluminum and Alclad, whereas a wire brush is likely to scratch.

The new brush is of longer life and holds abrasives better. It resists heat and temperature changes more effectively. Individual brushes are widely used in the defense industries and play a vital role in the construction of aircraft, tanks, ships, and other armaments.

They are available in diameters of 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 15, and 16 inches.





TUBE-TURN FITTINGS MAKE EVERY PIPE SYSTEM STRONGER AND SAFER



When pipe lines snake their way thru a plant like these chemical lines, forming neat, compact layouts, it's little wonder engineers insist on TUBE-TURN fittings. There are no flanges to tighten, no gaskets to replace—no chance of dangerous leakage. The turns indicated above—where the danger lies—are strong and safe—where the danger lies—are strong and safe— -where the danger lies-are strong and safe-fully protected with Tube-Turn welding fittings.

There's less flow resistance and pressure loss when you use Tube-Turn welding fittings

A flashing glide down the mountain side into a splendidly executed Kristiana-a sweeping turn at full speed that scarcely slows the skier! It's the same kind of uninterrupted flow that engineers desire in piping-and TUBE-TURN welding elbows and returns assure minimum resistance, thanks to the easy sweeping radius throughout. TUBE-TURN fittings' smooth inner walls are free from waves, scales or ridges which often accelerate corrosion and erosion. TUBE-TURN fittings give plus strength where the danger lies-at the turns-wherever there is a change in flow direction! For safe, trouble-free piping systems, insist on TUBE-TURN welding fittings!

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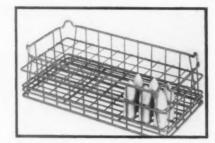
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SHOT BASKET



A wire basket for handling shot has been developed by Union Steel Products Co., Albion, Mich. These shot are handled in this basket from the rough forging through the various milling processes, the entire basket and shot being dipped in the liquid for degreasing and then the shot being stored in the basket for the two- or three-day aging which is necessary before they can be capped or the casing added.

The basket is made of wire galvanized finish and is so constructed that the shot will not touch each other and the bottom cross wires do not prevent the degreasing liquid from reaching the small indentation in the bottom of the shot.

Special baskets can also be developed for handling shell cases or for almost any other use except springs that is necessary.

FLOOR MACHINE

■ Faced with the necessity of using alternate metals for aluminum, the G. H. Tennant Company, Minneapolis, Minn., took this opportunity to redesign their various floor machines and incorporate many improved features.

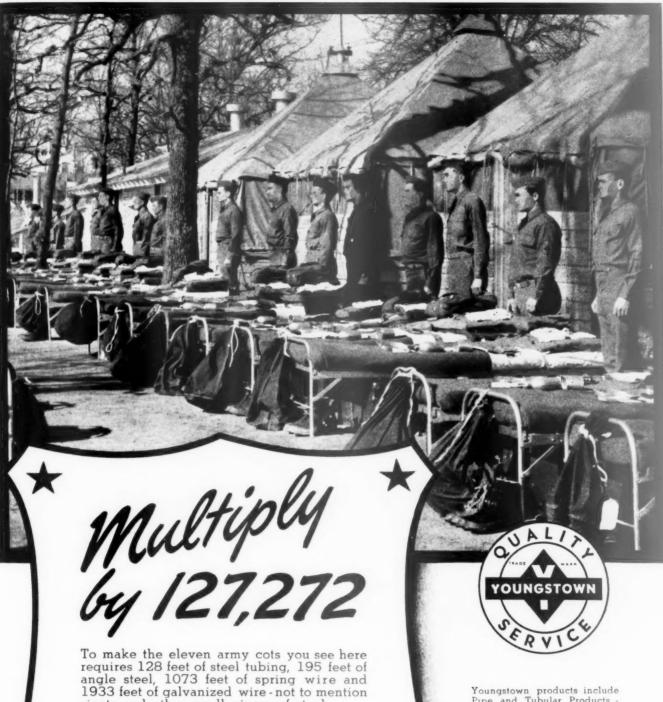
For instance, the Model V, which replaces the well-known Model C, will do all types of floor work efficiently by use of its 8" and 16" attachments. The machine is powered by an electric motor which provides two speeds with proper direction of rotation for sanding, buffing, wax application, polishing and scrubbing.

In addition to its streamline appearance and welded steel construction, the outstanding features of this machine are: high-powered vacuum of new design which operates efficiently in either direction of rotation, and with automatic belt tension adjustment; unique method of applying and polishing wax in one rapid operation; finger-touch regulation of pressure when using hard wax bar; simplicity of belt shift to change speeds for sanding and buffing; adjustable caster which permits leveling of machine if necessary.

machine if necessary.

Wood, asphalt, tile, linoleum, terrazzo, marble and concrete are covered in their system of floor care. Adoption of this modern dry cleaning method by defense plants has proven the utility of this equipment in congested production areas as well as for office and other heavy traffic floors.

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rivets and other small pieces of steel.

Multiply these figures for 11 men by 127,272 and you have the amount of steel fabricated into beds for our new army of 1,400,000 men - a total of 451 million feet of material -33,367 tons of steel.

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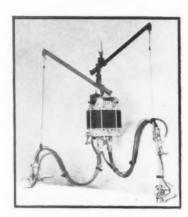
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SPRINGLESS ADJUSTABLE HANGERS



■ A line of compound springless, adjustable balanced hangers has been introduced by Progressive Welder Company, Detroit, Mich. Of the swiveling type, the hanger permits individual counterbalancing of two separate units, such as welding guns, riveting equipment, and other forms of heavier type "hand" tools.

They are individually adjustable for weights to be counterbalanced. The hangers are available in two sizes, the No. 87DS9 for light and medium duty, and the No. 87DS10 for heavy duty. When used with welding guns, for which the hangers were originally developed, the former will support guns and transformers up to 75 KVA, while the heavy duty type is designed for guns and transformers rated up to 150 KVA.

No special attachments are required to install these hangers. The above photo shows it being used to individually counterbalance a complete dual gun welding installation, including welding transformer.

STEEL STRAPPING STRETCHER

■ A new type of stretcher for steel strapping, on which the "foot" or base has been eliminated, has been announced by the Signode Steel Strapping Company, Chicago, Ill. The new tensioning tool supplements former designs, making possible the tight binding of non-compressible packages and the proper strapping of those with extremely small surface dimensions.

In almost all stretchers the tensioning mechanism is based upon a foot which in turn rests upon the surface of the package or product being strapped. This provides the necessary frictional contact so that the strap could be stretched or tensioned for proper binding.

Many shipments, however, are made up of solid, non-compressible packages with 90-degree corners which must be strapped so that the utmost of binding tension remains after the stretcher is removed. Other "problem packages" are

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A One Minute Quiz That May Result in Savings for Your Plant

(and at the same time help to conserve defense materials)

Q. What is manganese steel?

A. Genuine manganese steel is an alloy of manganese, carbon and iron, containing 10.0 to 16.0% (usually 13.0%) manganese, which is austenitic after heating and quenching. So-called "manganese steels" containing 1.5 to 2.0% manganese do not have the same properties.

Q. Briefly, what is the history of man-

ganese steel?

A. (a) Discovered by Hadfield in England in 1882. (b) Introduced in America in 1892. (c) First made by Amsco in 1906. (d) First produced in the electric furnace in 1919. (e) Still "The Toughest Steel Known" in 1942.

Q. What are the physical properties of cast heat-treated standard manganese

A. High tensile strength and ductility, unequalled toughness and work-hardening property. See Page 10 of Amsco Catalog No. 59.

Q. Is manganese steel hard?

A. Its initial hardness (185-200 Brinell) is little greater than that of ordinary cast steel, but under repeated impact the surface hardness increases immensely, reaching at the point of embrittlement a maximum of 550 Brinell. The surface hardness so obtained is continuously renewed so long as the service continues, while the body metal retains its original toughness.

Q. Is manganese steel brittle?
A. As cast, before heat treatment, it is as brittle as cast iron, but after heating and quenching it has a greater toughness than any other steel.

Why is manganese steel tougher

than any other steel?

A. The extremely cohesive structure known metallurgically as austenite, acquired from the heating and quenching process, is in manganese steel very strong and ductile, which two properties combined constitute toughness.

Q. Why is manganese steel so remark ably wear resistant under impact and abrasion?

A. The metal structure becomes increasingly hard and "set" in the areas stressed, in proportion to the repetition and severity attack. Without such cold-working it is about as abrasion resistant as tool steel or chilled cast iron.

Q. Why will manganese steel resist

shock stresses?

A. Because its high tensile strength and unusual ductility in combination, meaning toughness, enable it adequately to resist shock stresses and yet to yield or deform under heavy impacts rather than to break. Such deformation, however, is not continuous because cold-working raises the yield

strength in stressed areas Q. Can manganese steel be welded?

A. For building up to compensate for wear, manganese steel can be welded with nickelmanganese steel welding rod; and for repairing fractures either that rod or stain-less steel rod is successfully used. Less

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care is necessary, to avoid degradation by extensive overheating, on nickel-manganese steel parent metal than on standard manse steel. It can be hard-surfaced.

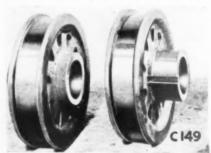
Q. Can manganese steel be machined? A. Standard manganese steel can be cut with special tool steel or cemented carbide tools, but special technique and equipment are required. Attempting to tool by ordinary methods merely results in work-hardening the steel at the point of contact and wearing out the tool with little result. Practically all machining on manganese steel is done by grinding.

Q. What special value has manganese

A. Wherever metal is required to combat abrasion associated with heavy repeated impact, standard manganese steel resists breakage much better than ordinary steel and usually has from twice to ten times the wearing life.

Q. What industries use manganese

A. Among others, cement, clay products, coke and iron, construction, dredging and excavating, foundry, glass, logging, mining, petroleum, quarry, sand pit and steel.





Feeder Chain (C-208)



welding rods, packed in small surfaced boxes; steel coils with narrow-faced sides, small bundles of steel squares, flats, etc. It is for the shippers of such articles that they have developed the new "footless" tools known as "fork type" stretchers. They assure tight strapping without any slack after removal of the stretcher.

Two models are available varying in the size and weight of strap they ac-

FLUORESCENT INDUSTRIAL **FIXTURE**



■ This fixture is made to accommodate three 48-inch 40-watt fluorescent lamps. The porcelain enamel reflector is made in one piece, finished in one ground coat and two white coats inside, ground coat and one gray coat outside, hood of fixture is finished in light gray baked

It can be furnished wired or unwired and includes sockets, lamp starters and ballasts. The top is hinged and can be swung open to make all parts easily accessible for replacement or for

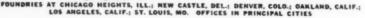
making wire connections.

The fixture is available for either chain or pipe suspension, but chain or pipe hangers are not included. Over-all dimensions of the fixture are 73/4 inches high, 131/2 inches wide, and 52 inches

Made by Day-Brite Lighting, Inc., St. Louis, Mo.

STRIP WELDER

An ingenious and low cost installation for welding together ends of strips been developed by Progressive Welder Company, Detroit, Michigan. It consists of two simple air operated series connected guns for spot welding, a notched bar to locate welds, and a control handle to move the gun along, the entire assembly being supported from an I-beam section above which is located the welding transformer. To weld strips together, the operator moves the gun to the first notch. This trips a switch, causing welds to be made. The gun is pulled along to the second notch, causing another pair of welds to be made, etc., for as many welds as needed for the specific strip width. A button is provided on the control handle to prevent closing of the welding circuit when the gun is returned to starting position.



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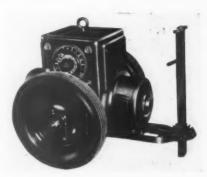
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TRAILER FOR ELECTRIC WELDER



A two-wheeled, lightweight, pneumatic-tired trailer for mounting 200, 300, 400 ampere Hobart electric drive welders is now in regular production at Hobart Brothers Company, Troy, Ohio. Designed for road towing up to 35 miles per hour, this unit will prove very useful for hurry-up trips to different locations for emergency production, maintenance, and repair work. Trailer is so designed that mounting it is accomplished easily by means of three bolts in frame of trailer which register with three poles in the legs of the welding machine. Combination tow bar and standing support has a hand-operated ratchet for locking support arm in position. Unit is easily moved by hand by virtue of its low, underslung construction; narrow tread; and precision meth-od of balancing. This all arc welded steel trailer is capable of trailing over very rough terrain. Measures 54" long, 45" wide, 27" high (over tires); 13" axle center. Tires are 16 x 5.50, 4 ply.

PRIMARY FUSE CUTOUTS

■ For use on a.c. circuits up to 12,500 volts where fuse requirements do not exceed 50 amperes, a new primary fuse cutout is announced by Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company.

Known as type EA, cutouts are housed with prestite porcelain that has high dielectric properties and is absolutely moisture proof. The door is made of heavy moldarta. All contacts are coated with silver to assure low contact drop, and the fuse tube is made of fibre lined duck micarta that is moisture resisting. The toggle mechanism provides dropout action of the door to indicate a blown fuse.

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CHIPPER'S GUARD



A practical, comfortable, long-wearing guard for chippers has been designated by the Industrial Gloves Company of Danville, Illinois. This safeguard is made of heavy chrome tanned cowhide split leather-will stand the hardest wear. Mitten pattern, open end to admit full use of fingers. Guard reinforced where wear comes on palm and back with extra leather patch-insulated against heat with wool heat-breaker. Back of thumb reinforced with extra leather. Can be worn over glove or bare hand. Supplied as pairs, all lefts, rights or any combination of lefts and rights as needed at no additional cost. Double sewed throughout for extra wear.

INDUSTRIAL BLACKOUT PAINT

For plant windows in areas where blackouts have been ordered, the Sherwin-Williams Company, Cleveland, Ohio, has developed a blackout paint which meets requirements of the Office of Civilian Defense and which is said to give excellent results in opacity, weather-resistance and non-reflective properties, when used on either the inside or outside of the glass. The material is supplied in one-gallon and five-gallon containers and can be applied by brush as it comes from the can and by spray when reduced ½ with petroleum thinners.

The first coat in window blackout work should be white or a light color to increase reflection of interior illumination. The finish coat of blackout paint dries to a dull finish which prevents exterior lights from reflecting on large window areas.

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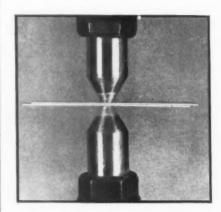


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ELECTRODES FOR SPOT WELDING



■ Designed specifically to reduce pickup and increase resistance to mushrooming, two major problems in the spot welding of aluminum, a line of special electrodes is now available from Progressive Welder Company, Detroit, Mich.

The electrodes are fitted with inserted tips of a special alloy having several times the resistance to mushrooming and pick-up of conventional electrode materials. The tips may be secured in virtually any type of standard or special electrode shape desired.

PORTABLE DYNAMIC BALANCING UNIT

■ To reduce harmful vibration and undesirable noise in rotating machines assembled by mass production methods, a portable dynamic balancing unit is announced by Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company.

Known as type HQ, the unit consists of a sensitive wattmeter assembly, a sine wave generator, a velocity type vibration pickup and necessary connecting cords. The apparatus may be used over a speed range of from 600 to 10,000 r.p.m. and by an auxiliary attachment, the range may be extended down to 100 r.p.m.

The pickup produces a voltage whose amplitude is proportional to the vibration being measured and has a fixed phase angle relationship with the vibration for a fixed frequency. The sine wave generator produces an adjustable phase sine wave current supply whose frequency coincides with the r.p.m. of the machine being balanced. Its field is a two-pole rotating magnet directly coupled to the machine rotor. The stator, adjustable angularly by hand, has two windings 90° apart electrically that facilitate angle and amount observation. Metering unit consists essentially of a specially designed double scale, highly damped dynomometer type wattmeter, calibrated in arbitrary units.

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rotor to be balanced. The pickup is held against some part of the frame and produces a voltage whose amplitude is proportional to the vibration to be measured. The voltage generated in the pickup coil varies directly as the frequency and amplitude of the vibrations being measured. Amplitude and vibration phase angle are indicated on the wattmeter.

POROUS IRON BEARINGS



Standard shapes of Selflube porous iron bearings: (1) sleeve or plain cylindrical bearings, (2) washer or thrust bearing, (3) spherical or self-aligning bearing, (4) flanged bearing. Examples of special shapes are shown at (5) and (6).

■ The Keystone Carbon Co., Inc., St. Marys, Pa., announces the addition of porous iron bearings to their line of self-lubricating bronze bearings. The porous iron bearings are stronger than porous bronze bearings, and they are interchangeable with porous bronze bearings in most applications. They were introduced to conserve copper and were perfected after years of research work in the company's laboratories.

These bearings are made from powdered iron, which is moulded to size in the shape desired, then baked, and finally saturated with a good grade of oil. They have an average porosity of 25 to 35%, enabling them to store a large amount of oil which forms a protective, continuous oil film on the bearing surface. In many instances, this oil reserve lasts the entire life of the application, eliminating the use of oil vents or grease cups. Additional lubrication is recommended for heavy duty or continuous operating units.

They have a low friction coefficient which, together with their self-lubricating qualities, prevents excessive temperature, speed reduction, noise and scoring of shaft. As in the case of their porous bronze bearings, they are moulded to close dimensional tolerances so that no re-designing or special engineering is required. They are supplied in both standard and special shapes, as shown in the accompanying illustration.





Speed High-Production Finishing of Die Castings

Thanks to an ingenious application of several Curtis Air Cylinders, the automatic copper and nickel plating equipment of the Gerity-Adrian Manufacturing Corporation can now handle 270 racks of work per hour through five separate units.

Curtis Air Cylinders provide automatic transfer of work racks between the cleaning, plating, and rinsing units of the installation, which was installed by Crown Rheostat and Supply Company, Chicago. Each transfer unit is controlled by two Curtis Air Cylinders, one operating the lift mechanism vertically and the other operating the horizontal or transverse motion of the frame.

The installation eliminates lengthy drive shafts, affords any desired time cycle for the various steps in the transfer, and allows rearrangement of the entire sequence of operations at will. It greatly simplifies previous arrangements and has materially speeded up the production of finishing huge volumes of die castings.

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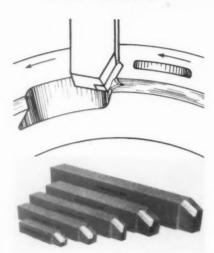
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CUTTING TOOLS



The McKenna Metals Company, Latrobe, Pa., announces new styles of Kennametal-tipped tools especially designed for interrupted cutting of steel castings and forgings in lathes, boring mills, shapers, and planers. They are designed to speed up production in machining armor plate, tank parts, and other irregular shapes of steel castings and forgings. It has been found that these tools with the unique negative shear angle of 35 degrees combined with a positive side rake of 15 degrees (see illustration) will permit the same economy in machining irregular sections as has been realized hitherto in simpler jobs cut with Kennametal.

The principle of these tools, known as Kennametal styles 35, 36, 37, and 38, is that the interruption on the work first strikes the tool at a place back of the extreme point, where the cutting edge is mechanically strong, and then shears off the chip with a progressive action (see illustration). These tools are made in opposite hands. The tips are longer than on other standard Kennametal tools to compensate for the foreshortening of the 35° shear angle; they project above the shank at the back to allow sufficient steel under the point.

FLUORESCENT STARTER

■ A new line of fluorescent lamp starters, designed to protect ballast and starter and to eliminate the flashing of failed lamps, is announced by Hygrade Sylvania Corporation, Salem, Mass.

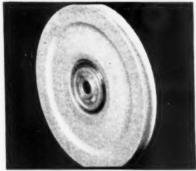
Automatically opening the circuit when a lamp fails, the Premium Mirastats are especially suitable for installations that make immediate replacement of a burned-out lamp impractical.

Flashing on and off, a lamp that has failed may eventually ruin an ordinary starter. This starter not only protects itself, prevents abuse of the ballast and effects a substantial saving of power, but also does away with the usual annoying flashing of the burned-out lamp.

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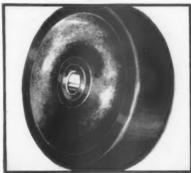
of its business on special products for the development of which much research and engineering work has been necessary. For that purpose it has a large and competent engineering force which has been successful in producing many new products—products for which laminated phenolic material had not been previously used.

We illustrate a few of them here: table tops, airplane pulleys, instrument panels with fluorescent markings, grounded static-proof truck-tires, slitting discs for rayon manufacture. These are representative of several hundred similar items.

Formica is always searching for more opportunities to develop new products that fall within the limits of the material with which it works. The Formica engineering department will be glad to cooperate if you have a need for something that might be developed and will gladly give you an opinion as to applicability of the material for your purposes.

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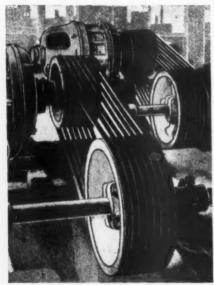


A slitting disc used in rayon manufacture and developed to emphasize resistance to alkalis. Formica parts of rayon equipment last months where material formerly used lasted weeks.



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SLANT-BOX RACK



■ A new type of rack has been announced by the Stackbin Corp., Providence, R. I., which is designed to store ordinary shop boxes at an angle effectively converting them into hopperfronted storage bins and automatically feeds contents toward the front. Slantbox racks are individual racks of welded steel construction which interlock to form storage units of any desired shape or capacity.

Contents of boxes are always visible and instantly accessible. Tilted runners hold boxes at the proper angle; a wide lip keeps them held securely in position. The construction permits high stacking in interlocking units which form a storage rack of any desired height, shape or capacity.

Made entirely of heavy angle and channel steel, with all joints welded, they make rigid, permanent storage facilities, which can be changed or added to as conditions demand.

CAMOUFLAGE PAINT

■ The development of a complete line of "blackout and camouflage" paints to meet the current war emergency has been announced by the Paint Division of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The paints are designed for domestic and commercial use in areas subject to possible air raids. They obscure interior illumination when applied to windows, skylights, and other glazed openings.

The blackout and camouflage paints have been developed in four principal colors, black, smoke grey, earth drab, and neutral brick. By using the color that more nearly blends with the surrounding exterior building or terrain, a partial camouflage is effected in daytime in addition to providing blackout protection during the night. In cases where a complete blackout is desired the outside of the window is covered with one coat of blackout paint and the inside with a standard interior paint.

Because of the danger of glass breakage because of absorption of sun radiation by painted glass, the following recommendations have been made: (1) The entire pane of glass should be cov-



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COMPRESSION MOLDING MACHINE

An improved 75-ton, fully automatic compression molding machine, developed by The Watson-Stillman Co., Roselle,



N. J., affords faster molding of plastic products than was hitherto possible with a machine of this capacity. An additional improvement is that all settings for time periods, materials, quantities and pressures can be made independently and easily from a single control panel.

With a 10" stroke, the unit has an approach speed of 210" per minute, pressing 3.3" per minute, return 140" per minute. Die space is 18" x 18"; maximum height of each die half, 8". The machine has bottom and top ejectors and is suitable for all materials adapted to compression molding. It is operated by a 5 hp. pump. Floor space required is 6' x 3', height 10'4".

A hydraulically operated feeder puts predetermined amounts of material in each mold cavity. Molds are closed under low pressure, and high pressure is applied automatically at a predetermined time. Molds can be degassed if necessary. Pieces are then stripped and blown down a chute to an automatic piece weighing scale. An alarm rings if any work fails to strip off. 25, 50 and 100-ton machines are also available.

BRACKET FOR MIXER

The Eclipse Air Brush Co., Newark, N. J., has announced the addition of two V-shaped brackets to hold its direct drive air motored agitators. brackets are made in two sizes: to fit thirty- and fifty-gallon drums.

There is a screw clamp at the side of the bracket to allow for variations in the size of the drums, and to insure steadiness of the Pneumix agitator. The mixer can be adjusted to any angle.

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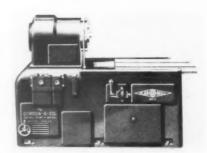
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THREAD AND FORM MILLING MACHINE



Combining for the first time the recognized advantages of planetary milling with the flexibility of hydraulic operation, the Gordon-R Company, Royal Oak, Mich., makers of Plan-O-Mill, have produced a new and larger ma-chine, the Number 5 Hydraulic Plan-O-Mill.

Hydraulic motors on the spindle and quills permit the operator a choice of feeds and speeds by merely adjusting dials. No gears or sheaves need to be changed, the only other adjustment necessary being the lead screw on the spindle. The table is also hydraulically operated.

The machine combines extreme flexibility with the utmost precision-meeting tolerances to .001" with a minimum of worry and attention. It is especially adapted to thread-milling and form-milling operations requiring a high degree of precision, yet where the type of work may change from time to time.

All motion is in the cutting head. The part itself is rigidly held by its fixture. Large, irregularly shaped parts are accommodated as easily as small ones. Parts ranging from 3/4" diameter to 20" diameter, inside and outside, are handled. Because the cutter returns to center at the end of each operation, a number of successive operations—such as threading followed by concentric counterboringmay be performed in a single work cycle.

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Selector switch permits machine to be operated manually when automatic cycle of operation is not desired. Feed cycle ranges from 11/2 minutes to 8 minutes per cycle, rapid return, regardless of time in cut.

TIME RELAYS

■ The time relays, Types RSIC and TDIC, manufactured by R. W. Cramer Co., Inc., Centerbrook, Conn., are synchronous motor operated timers which either keep an electrical circuit closed for a present time interval, or in the case of the TDIC, can be used as time delay relays which when energized keep a circuit open for a selected interval. These timers have an instantaneous reset feature and



Service for customers was kept constantly in mind when the building above was designed for the Kingsport Electric Co, Inc., at Kingsport, Tenn. Its arrangement now helps speed cooperation on war projects. Industrial apparatus and wiring supplies are specialized in together with lamps and fans. At top: J. B. Carson, president of the Company at quotation desk.

Ways to help customers are studied at Allentown, Pa., General Electric Supply Corporation meetings. Above Gordon Woll, sales manager holding a Fiberduct underfloor wiring demonstrator is reviewing advantages of Fiberduct for factory underfloor electric distribution. Salesmen, left to right. H. J. Wetteran; Mr. Woll, H. A. Parsons, Jr., H. H. Kelly, R. K. Buchert.

C. P. Guercio, shipping clerk, General Electric Supply Corporation, New York City is shown here checking requirements for next truck deliveries. Storage, handling and delivery methods are designed to give customers the best possible service.

J. Albert Hayden, (left) salesman for the Raub Supply Co., Harrisburg, Pa., is here bringing information on G-E wire for industrial lighting to H J. Hunter, estimator for the Howard P. Foley Co., Harrisburg electrical contractor.







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AIRCRAFT PISTON CHECK



The Sheffield Corporation of Dayton, Ohio, has developed a Multichek for checking simultaneously ten dimensions of an aircraft piston. This gage, greatly increasing the speed and economy of piston inspection, has ten gaging heads, three of which are in the back of the gage.

The front gaging units check the following seven diameters: two minor diameters of oil ring grooves; O.D. at bottom skirt; O. D. of piston; O. D. at upper oil ring grooves; O. D. above compression ring grooves; and O. D. at compression ring grooves.

The three gaging heads in the rear check the width of compression ring grooves. Each of these three gaging units has a wedge-shaped gaging point, which is inserted into one of the grooves. The distance of insertion determines the width of the groove.

Each of the gaging units operates independently, and has its own signal light on the panel. When a light shows red, its gaging unit has designated that a certain dimension is undersize; when it shows green, the dimension is oversize; and when amber, it is within tolerance. All of the independent signal lights are connected to a master light on the top of the panel. When any one signal light shows a violated dimension, the master light goes red; when all of the lights are amber, the master light stays off. The operator, therefore, has only to watch one light—the master light.

The operator places the piston on the loading rails, and pushes it between two guide anvils into the multi-gaging

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American industry is geared up to the final test which will determine whether or not men, living under a government of their own making, can out-produce the slaves of the Dictator States. So gigantic an undertaking, to be

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The valve illustrated is Fig. 190—Iron Body, Bronze Mounted, Screwed End Globe Valve for 150 pounds pressure. Sizes ½" to 3". Also available in Angle Pattern and with Flanged Ends. It is equipped with ground, union-joint bonnet and renewable "Powellium" nickelbronze seat and disc.

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POWELL VALVES



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units. The arms and mounting brackets of the gaging units have a Pantrate finish and the points have carbotoy inserts. As in other multicheks, this one is set by high and low masters.

Multicheks for checking magazine fuses, fuse percussion caps, primer heads, and numerous size shells and cartridge cases have also been developed.

STRAINERS FOR PUMPS



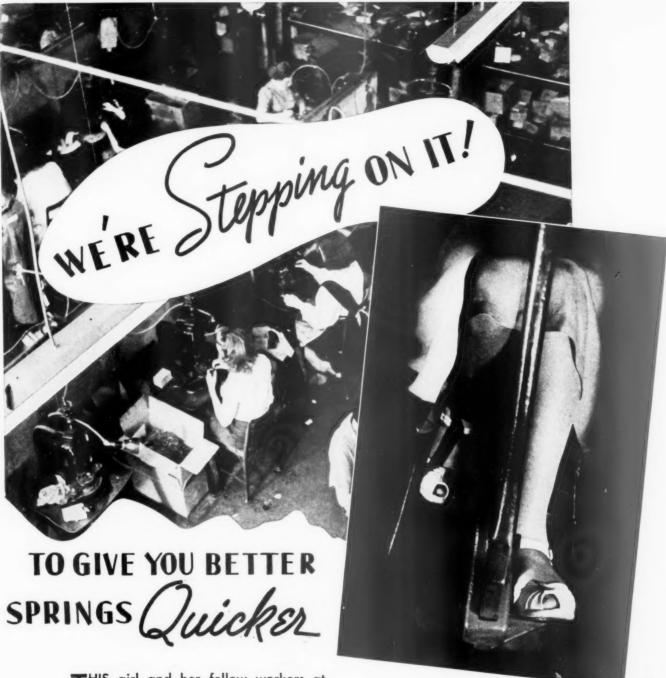
Supplementing their regular line of pumps and accessories, the Blackmer Pump Company, Grand Rapids, Michigan, has put on the market a series of strainers for pipe sizes from 1 to 6 inches, which incorporate in their design a number of improvements over the conventional type of strainer.

While they were designed primarily for use with their rotary pumps, they are just as well suited to applications with all types of pumps, or wherever a strainer is required in a piping layout.

The basic design follows that of the standard "basket type strainer." The bodies are made of iron as standard, and are available in bronze. Steamjacketed bodies can also be furnished. The baskets are made of steel or brass woven wire cloth in fine, medium or coarse mesh, and are well reinforced. A convenient handle is provided for removing the basket from the strainer body for cleaning. The body cover is held in place by special thumb screws, no wrench being needed to remove it for cleaning.

These strainers are rated on a basis of flow in GPM and are furnished in five sizes from 50 GPM to 700 GPM. The 50 GPM strainer has tapped connections; the larger sizes have flanged connections. All are made in several standard sizes. Companion flanges are furnished with all flange-connected strainers.

The net straining area equals the highest Hydraulic Institute recommendations on the fine mesh basket and exceeds them on medium and coarse mesh by seven and ten times respectively. The standard constructions are suitable for operating pressures up to 50 psi, and for temperatures up to 275° F. Strainers for higher pressures and temperature can be furnished on special order.



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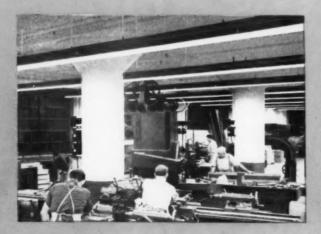


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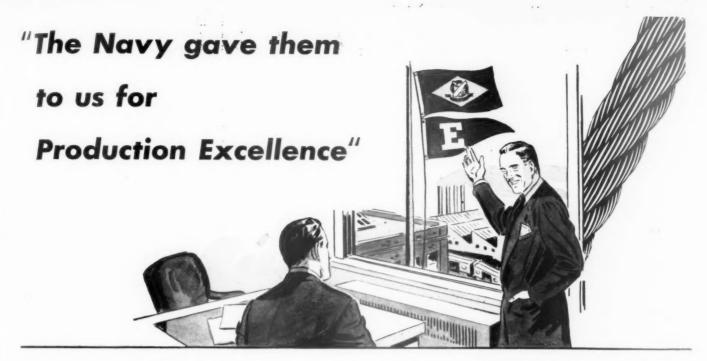
Safeguarding productive hands in all types of defense work has become in-creasingly vital. So that serious hand injuries from caustics, acids, solvents, oils, etc., can be kept at a minimum, The Surety Rubber Co., Carrollton, Ohio, has introduced the exclusive "Sureseal" industrial glove line. These gloves are produced from a new synthetic plastic material that has sufficient elasticity to give ample flexibility and comfortable finger freedom. The transparent material is also applied as a bonded coating to various styles of fabric and leather work-gloves in this line and is available in aprons and fingercots. The material is inert, non-toxic, odorless and tasteless. Aging, sunlight, ultra-violet light, acids, alkalies, alcohols, ketones, esters, aromatic hydrocarbons, aliphatic hydrocarbons and mineral, animal and vegetable oils that usually attack and destroy natural rubber and other substitute materials have little or no effect on these gloves. Resistance to abrasion and tearing is particularly good in comparison tests. One of the important major aviation plants testing the gloves reports over three months' service of daily use-formerly maximum service life of other gloves tried was three days.

CONVERTIBLE ACID PUMP

■ A new series of corrosion-resisting pumps in which it is possible to get 480 combinations of alloys, types and sizes with heads and capacities to meet practically any requirements is manufactured by The Duriron Company, Inc., Dayton, Ohio.

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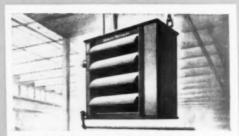
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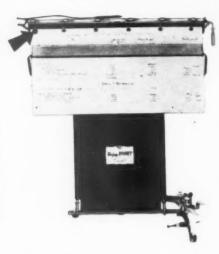
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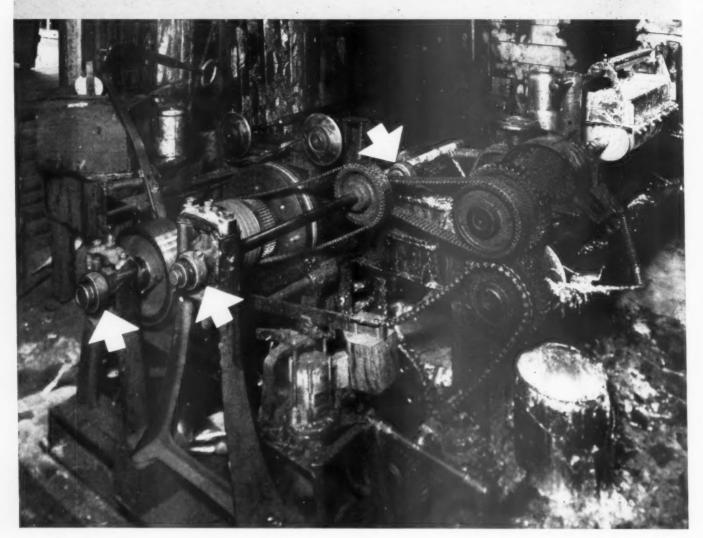
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PHOSPHORESCENT PAINT

the new Lumi-Tone phosphorescent paint placed on the market by the General Luminescent Corporation of Chicago, Ill., is already being called into service for use as a blackout paint. (Markers outside of bomb shelters, for example.)

It has been found that in the course of total blackout, only objects coated with phosphorescent chemicals can be seen in total darkness. It will not only help keep industrial plants operating during blackouts, but can serve innumerable other purposes as well.

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FLUORESCENT INDUSTRIAL UNIT

■ The latest contribution by Mitchell Mfg. Co., Chicago, Ill., to industrial lighting for war production is "The Victory," a fluorescent industrial fix-



ture featuring a porcelain enamel reflector of one-piece, seamless, non-welded construction. It comes in two models—Model No. 2034, using 2 40-watt fluorescent bulbs, and Model No. 2035, using 3 40-watt bulbs. Both are high intensity, high efficiency units,

ideal for high lumen per watt performance. 13½ degree cut-off eliminates glare from all normal viewing angles. They are made of heavy gauge vitreous steel with triple-coated vitreous porcelain enamel reflector. Easy to maintain and service because reflector is quickly de tachable from housing. Just remove two wing nuts. Power factor corrected Latest, approved ballasts and starters. 110-125 volts, a.c. 60 cycle. Also avail able for 50 cycle operation, or for 220 250 volts. Both units are Fleur-O-Lierand also are approved by Underwriters Laboratories.

INDUSTRIAL MASK



■ All ordinary masks that keep the filtering pad away from the nose and mouth depend on two surfaces holding a filter pad between them. This mask made by Allergy & Medical Products, Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio, has only one frame holding the filter away from the nose and mouth. This enables the mask to have a very large breathing area and at the same time permits the mask to be very light in weight. It weighs only one-half ounce. It is comfortable, permits wearing of goggles, and all its component parts are replaceable.

The mask is easy to use and has practically its entire area composed of breathing space.

DOOR OPERATOR

A new type "Air-Lec" door operator for sliding doors has been introduced by the Schoelkopf Manufacturing Company, Madison, Wisconsin. Called the "Inertia Model," this operator is designed upon an entirely different principle than ever before employed in door operation. The application of force is more direct. The action is started by compressed air from the cylinder. During the main part of travel the door is rolling freely by its own momentum, at a controllable pre-determined speed and free from the operator. The main spring regulated by the checking action of the air cylinder, does the last part of opening or closing the door. result is a quick start and a smooth stop, with less air used. Installations in numerous garages and industrial plants have proven its efficiency and economy.

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It offers complete privacy of conversation between executives or customers. silencing of sub-stations when not in use.

In most installations any voice will carry over 50 feet. Workmen may answer without leaving the assembly line or their bench.

It has 21/4 watts power output, enabling ten sub-stations to carry five simultaneous two-way conversations with absolute privacy. Up to 2,000 feet of cable may be used between each station. Housed in rich walnut-finished cabinets, 12" x 6" x 534". For 110-115 volt a.c.-d.c. operation.

PRECISION GRINDING WHEEL

A. P. deSanno & Son, Inc., Phoenixville, Pa., has introduced a new type precision grinding wheel. When properly used, it takes deeper cuts, breezing through .010" or more, also that it grinds 100 to 400% faster, increasing production per man per machine 2 to 5 times. The structure, instead of being "sandy" and compact is "stringy" and porous-resembling a sponge. Air cells allow the air to keep every grinding contact cool, yet it is hard, tough, holds the corner and requires little dressingdue to a new vitrified bond.

It grinds hard alloys, copper, aluminum, wood, rubber, plastics and other soft materials with minimum loading.

REVOLVING FIELD **GENERATORS**



Century Electric Company, St. Louis, Missouri, now offers compact, streamlined, revolving field, alternating current generators. These generators are available in sizes from 7½ to 75 KVA— 4, 6, or 8 pole, 1800, 1200 or 900 RPM, 60 cycle, (corresponding speeds for other frequencies) for belt or coupling drive or flange mounting.

They are offered for continuous duty in isolated plants, or to supplement other available power supply.

These generators are wound for the various standard voltages-single phase 2 and 3 wire, three phase 3 and 4 wire or two phase 4 wire. The neutral may be brought out for three phase 4 wire systems for light and power.

They are built to meet AIEE and NEMA voltage regulation standards. An automatic voltage regulator is generally used for best lighting service where the load fluctuates through a wide range. They can be designed for any desired value of power factor, but the regulation will be governed by the power

factor.

MOISTURE-PROOF PACKAGING

The Reynolds Metals Company has announced a water-proof, vapor-proof material for defense packaging, which is being widely acclaimed as a flexible can, relieving demands on critical materials.

It is a sturdy moisture proof material, especially valuable as a covering for fiber cans, or as liners, bags, box coverings, as well as for titewraps and

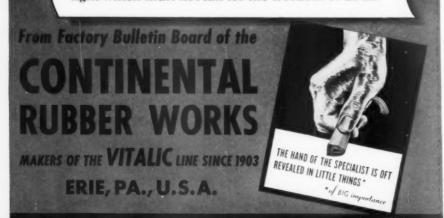
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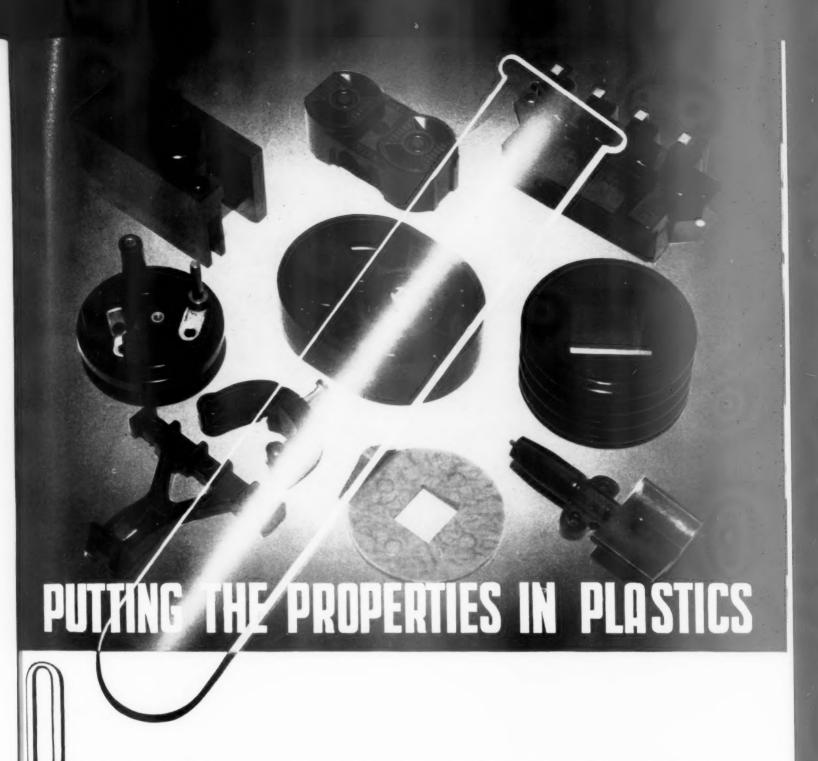


WE ARE ALL ON THE FIRING LINE · · · - NOW!

This war will be won by the "all out" teamwork of the men who fight and the men who work. Every product we produce for National defense has a direct bearing on victory. It may be hose for a navy yard on the Pacific, or rubber parts for a Detroit sub-contractor working on tanks, or airplane orders from Buffalo.

Continental customers well understand that their "civilian" needs must take second place to their war demands. Thus those who work, and those who wait, are also on "the firing line" in this fight which must not fail for the freedom of us all.





NE of the significant things about General Electric's self-contained plastics operation is that your product can receive the attention of experts in every phase of the business.

In a manner, it is comparable to submitting your proposed plastics part to a round-table discussion of chemists, designers, engineers, mold-makers and manufacturing men. From it can only come the plastics part that best suits your requirements.

The contribution of the chemist to the successful solution of your problem is interesting and

important. For "Putting the Properties in Plastics" is more than an alliterative phrase. It is the action taken by General Electric chemists to give your product the electrical, mechanical and chemical characteristics that its application demands.

This phase of G.E.'s operation is particularly pertinent at this time because most products, like most men, must work harder and longer in these times of war. Today's products must perform greater tasks. At One Plastics Avenue, chemists are helping them to do so.

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REAMER

■ A new type of reamer, made of hardsteel and capable of reaming hardened steel of any degree of hardness without annealing, has been developed by the Black Drill Company, Cleveland, Ohio.

The reamer, made of the same secretprocess metal which is used in hardsteel drills, is designed to operate in the same manner as the drills and will easily outlast any high-speed reamer now in use. While the ordinary high-speed reamer, will ream metals up to 35 degrees Rockwell, hardsteel reamers will ream metal of any hardness up to and including nitrided surfaces. No other reamer has ever performed this task.

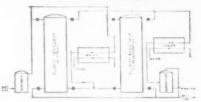
The remarkable fact about this operation is that while highspeed reamers used on steel of 35 degrees Rockwell hardness show extremely low tool life, hardsteel reamers will work in hardned steel of any hardness without unusual wear.

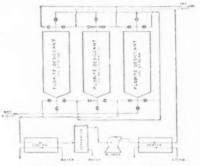
They have been used successfully on carburized, oil hardened, water hardened, cyanided and nitrided pieces of high carbon, high chrome and high-speed steel.

In addition, they will operate successfully in other difficult materials. For instance, they will ream manganese steel without being affected by this metal's work-hardening qualities, and they will ream cored holes in chilled castings with much higher tool life than high-speed reamers.

DRYING AGENT FOR GASES

Dehydration plant for gases.





Dehydration plant for liquids.

A granular drying agent for gases and liquids, has been placed on the market by the Floridin Company, Warren, Pa. It has not only been accepted as completely satisfactory in a variety of industrial processes requiring bone dry gases and liquids, but has also proved economical in many installations where high drying efficiency is not ordinarily demanded. Among the products now being successfully dehydrated are natural gas, propane, gasoline, air, nitrogen, and carbon dioxide. It may also be used in breathers for storage tanks and electrical transformers, to dehumidify air in air condition systems and to dehydrate refrigerants.

The outstanding characteristic is its ability to maintain a high drying efficiency under conditions that have rendered competitive materials useless. It absorbs water instantly and will not swell, disintegrate, or appear wet at the end of an adsorption cycle. It is hard, stable, non-corrosive, and non-poisonous. It selectively absorbs 4 to 20% of its weight in water, depending on the particular application, and is regenerated by heating to 300-350° F.

TRANSPARENT CONCRETE FLOOR HARDENER

Interest in a varnish type transparent concrete floor hardener and finishing material has been considerably revived by the need of obtaining easy-to-clean, oil-proof, dustless cement floors in some of our new defense plants.

In order to offset the porous nature of cement floors and their tendency to



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We can offer immediate shipment of both Dardelet Rivet Bolts and Dardelet Machine Bolts. These bolts save valuable time and labor and assure permanently tight bolts.

tight bolts.

The Dardelet Rivet Bolt is a ribbed bolt with Dardelet self-locking thread, and is widely used for field erection of structural steel. Has recessed nut. Bolt is driven in and nut is applied with wrench. Economical and strong. The Machine Bolt with Dardelet self-locking thread is for dentered.

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dust—many thousands of square feet of concrete floor surface of the celebrated St. Louis Arsenal were given a one-coat treatment. Material is known as "Granitex," manufactured by The Truscon Laboratories of Detroit, Mich.

Unlike chemical hardener, "Granitex" does not develop any chemical reaction with elements in the concrete. On the contrary, it is absorbed into the concrete and has pore-filling and sealing qualities that make it very useful. Cement floors are preserved, are easier cleaned and maintained—made oilproof and non-staining.

ELAPSED TIME METER

■ To check production and machine tool life in industrial plants where time studies are made, a new meter to indicate elapsed time in minutes or hours is announced by Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company.

Using six counter units instead of the usual five, the meter consists essentially of a synchronous driving motor, a gear train and six numbered wheels. The motor operates at 600 r.p.m. on a 115-volt, 60 cycle circuit. Synchronous operation is not affected by voltage variations of from 75 to 125 per cent of rated value. Life-time bearing lubrica-

tion is provided by oil storage reservoir. Gears are precision, machine cut and gold plated to resist corrosion.

To operate, the meter is connected in parallel with the apparatus of which total hours of operation are to be measured. Meter circuits are closed when the machine operates, causing the synchronous motor to run continuously.

Resetting to zero or any value is accomplished by removing the case and disengaging the number wheel shaft. The wheels can then be set to any desired reading.

SYNTHETIC RUBBER PACKINGS



The mechanical division of The Monarch Rubber Co., Hartville, Ohio, has developed, by compounding a new synthetic rubber, special shapes and sizes of packings and other molded and extruded parts that have exceptional oil resistance, flexibility and ability to seal pressures at extremely low temperatures and other desirable qualities not available with usual rubber parts. Packings of this material are particularly desirable for aircraft use and wherever there is a wide variation of temperatures.

Producing special parts of this synthetic rubber material is available to meet varying requirements particularly where defense priorities are in effect.

MACHINE TOOL CABINETS



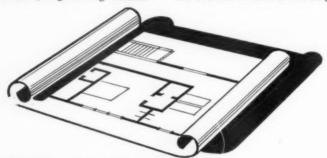
■ The machinist is offered a handy work bench-cabinet which features security and all-around usefulness by Lyon Mettal Products, Aurora, Ill. Heavy gauge working surface is ideal for small vises and grinders.

Twelve square feet of enclosed storage area are protected by full swinging triple latch doors equipped with padlock hasp or built-in flat key lock. Center shelf is adjustable on 1½ inch centers. Finished in durable green baked enamel.



THIS GUARDS blueprints

To provide protection for the thousands of valuable blueprints entrusted in their hands by clients and the Government, the Pioneer Engineering & Manufacturing Company, Detroit, Engineering Consultants, have designed and built into their new building every precautionary measure against the saboteur and spy, as recommended by the Army, the Navy, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.



THIS GUARDS drawings

But steel and concrete can't protect your important drawings from the ravages of time. Tracing cloths that turn brittle and opaque with age destroy thousands of dollars worth of drawings annually. Don't just *hope* this won't happen to you. Specify Arkwright on your next

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Black & Decker makes the exact type Portable Electric Tool you need—in any quantity—to speed up your assembly lines. Black & Decker's nation-wide field force gives dependable tooling-up advice . . . a convenient and informed source of tool supply is available from leading distributors in all principal cities . . . and you minimize delays by obtaining prompt repair and parts service from 26 Factory-owned Branches located coast-to-coast. Your jobber stands ready to demonstrate Black & Decker Electric Tools engineered to solve your specific problems.

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SUBSTITUTE FOR RUBBER

■ Because crude rubber formerly employed is now prohibited by the government for the manufacture of hand stamps, due to the war emergency, The B. F. Goodrich Company, Akron, Ohio, announces a new line of compounds made from Ameripol, the synthetic rubber developed in its own laboratories, and also compounds from reclaim rubber. They can be used in making handdaters, logotypes and toy stamping sets.

Both compounds are black and vulcanize at 307 degrees Fahrenheit. The Ameripol compound has a Durometer reading of 55, specific gravity of 1.22 and a ten-minute cure while the reclaim compound has a Durometer of 60, specific gravity of 1.27 and seven-minute cure.

There are approximately 10,000 workers employed in the manufacture of these articles, many of whom might have been forced out of work by the rubber restrictions had there not been available a substitute material.

COLD ROLLED COPPER CONTAINER

■ The problem was the shipment of cold rolled copper. By changing from his old type of package to a new engineered container, a prominent manufacturer



was able to make important savings in time and money. These new boxes, laboratory-designed for his specific problem, are manufactured by the General Box Company of Chicago, Ill.

Packing time is saved with the new container. Less nails are used—so the nailing time is reduced. Shipping weight has been lowered by 23 lbs., making handling easier, faster and making possible important savings in freight charges.

The box is manufactured from selected woods. Reinforcing wires give the box added strength. The box has been designed in the laboratory to provide the minimum amount of weight consistent with maximum protection.

How VEELOS V-Belt Can Help Win the War!

Here are 3 ways the exclusive link construction of Veelos V-Belt speeds production for victory!

- 1 SAVES PRODUCTION TIME! With Veelos in rolls, strands of Veelos can be replaced in the bat of an eye, keeping all belts on the drive and maintaining equal tension.
- PERMITS OPERATION OF MACHINES AT MAXI-MUM RATED CAPACITIES! Veelos holds machine speeds at maximum because link construction provides quick, easy adjustment to end slippage.
- 3 DELIVERS MORE POWER! With Veelos link construction, equalized tension on all strands can readily be maintained . . . therefore all strands are constantly at work delivering full power.

Let a Veelos sales engineer—especially trained in power transmission work—tell you the complete story of Veelos—the only V-Belt that offers the advantages of link construction.

MANHEIM MANUFACTURING & BELTING CO., MANHEIM, PA.



BELT VULCANIZER

■ Change in design of its No. 28 belt vulcanizer, to allow greater service is announced by The B. F. Goodrich Company, Akron, Ohio.

The No. 28 vulcanizer is now made with a square instead of a diagonal end, making it possible to cure wider belts. Widths of 34 inches can be cured with the vulcanizer placed at right angles across the belt. By placing the vulcanizer at an angle of approximately 22 degrees, a 28-inch belt can be cured, at an angle of 30 degrees, a 24-inch belt and at a 45-degree angle, a 16-inch belt.

The new design has a platen 11 inches by 36½ inches, overall length of 41 inches, overall height 23½ inches and weighs 380 pounds complete with sheet iron platen covers, curing pad and two 25-foot lengths of extension cord.

IMPACT-RESISTANT PHENOLIC MOLDING PLASTIC

■ Bakelite Corporation, Unit of Union Carbide and Carbon Corporation, New York, N. Y., has announced the development of a new impact-resistant phenolic molding plastic. This product was developed to meet the needs of industry for a high impact-resisting molding material that can be preformed on automatic tabletting machines.

As a result, it is now the highest impact phenolic material that can be preformed in this manner. When molded, it has approximately twice the shock resistance of general-purpose phenolics. Its water resistance is also good when compared to other shock-resistant phenolic

plastics.



Steel-alkaline batteries are also light in weight, an aid to quick exchange of batteries at 8-hour to 12-hour intervals.

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week going into effect in our war industries, the battery industrial trucks handling materials in these industries must likewise go into continuous operation.

Here is where the dependability of the steel-alkaline battery is already aiding maximum production. With its high-strength steel construction and its fool-proof electrical characteristics it had demonstrated long before the war began that it was by far the most dependable of all storage batteries.

As power supply for the battery industrial truck—itself an inherently fool-proof and dependable machine—two 12-hour batteries of this type (or three 8-hour batteries) provide the strongest insurance of continuous availability for duty that American inventive genius has yet devised. Edison Storage Battery Division of Thomas A. Edison, Inc., West Orange, N. J., U.S.A.

PERSONALITIES in the NFWS

H. E. Pape, formerly Purchasing Agent for the American Tube and Stamping Plant of the Stanley Works, at Bridgeport, Conn., has been appointed General Purchasing Agent of Stanley Works, with headquarters at New Britain. Mr. Pape is a past president of the Connecticut Association.

Woodbury Hale, Purchasing Agent of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company, and John A. Roche, Purchasing Agent of the Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates, both companies affiliated with the Koppers organization, were recently presented with diamond pins emblematic of thirty-five years of service.



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E. B. Fielis

Edward B. Fielis, Purchasing Agent for the New York & Queens Electric Light & Power Co., is retiring from active business after 31 years in that position. His record in association work is perhaps even more unusual, for he has served—modestly, ably, and conscientiously—as Treasurer of the New York Purchasing Agents Association since 1922. He has consented to continue in this office through the period of the N.A.P.A. convention in New York in May. After that, the association will face a problem it has not had over the span of two decades, in finding a successor.

Mr. Fielis, a Pennsylvanian by birth, started his business career in the railroad field, and his early experience included two years of purchasing work. He came to New York in 1908 as Secretary of the New York & Richmond Gas Co., Staten Island, and joined the New York & Queens organization three years later as Purchasing Agent.

Interested and active in civic, fraternal, industrial and political projects, he has at various times been President of his company's employee association, Vice Chairman of the Metropolitan Section, N.E.L.A., member of the Queens Council of Boy Scouts and Treasurer of two Boy Scout troops, President and Treasurer of the Jackson Heights Golf Club, and member of the local School Board. He is a member of the Queensboro Chamber of Commerce, Long Island Association, Electrical Association of New York, Queens County Grand Jurors' Association, and of the Selective Service Board in his district.

Carl H. Carlson has been appointed Director of Buying for Horder's, Inc., prominent Chicago distributor of office supplies and equipment. He has been with the organization since 1923, and is the originator of the Systems-Advisory and Furniture Planning departments, through which specialists in office problems provided practical solutions for business men faced with such problems.

H. Dale Henderson has been appointed Purchasing Agent for the Earle M. Jorgensen Co., Houston, Texas, succeeding E. V. Brown, who has been transferred to the sales department of

These Low-Cost METAL-CUTTING BAND SAWS Can Help You Right NOW

When you are confronted with an urgent need for immediate increased production in connection with the U.S. armament program - check into the possibilities of using this 14-inch Delta metal-cutting band saw. It is ideal for cutting Aluminum Castings Cold Rolled Steel • Malleable Iron

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Will Help Speed up Production

There is no limit to the number of jobs you can find for this economical low-cost tool around the general tool and machine shop. And the few uses mentioned above scratch only the surface of the machine's adaptability. Die casters and molders of plastics find it indispensable for trimming work. The miter-gage groove in the table makes it easy to fit the machine with fixtures for cutting tubing, etc., on a production basis, and it can be fitted with rip gage for cutting strips from sheet metal. Once the machine is installed, there is no end to the number of jobs that are found for it!

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This machine is not just another metal-cutting saw—but represents sound designing from the bottom up with many new basic features. Double trunnions provide rigid table mounting. Fully enclosed gear-drive, running in oil, is mounted directly on base of machine. Four metal-working speeds. Can be switched easily into high speed for soft materials. All wheels and shafts are carried on New Departure self-sealed ball bearings, insuring trouble-free performance for the entire life of the bearings. The guides, unlike those in ordinary machines adjust independently of each other, are made with micrometer accuracy; and provide smooth, clean, accurate cutting.

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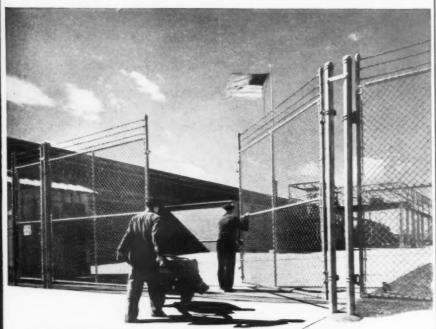
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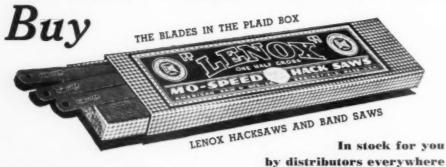
and erecting service is also a Page achievement. More than 100 factory-trained, long-experienced local firms which own their own plants, make up the PAGE FENCE ASSOCIATION, Headquarters: Monessen, Pennsylvania.

At the Page mills, men, machines and materials are on an all-out schedule for production of fence to protect plants working on

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the company. J. W. Cameron is Assistant Purchasing Agent.

George A. Renard, Executive Secretary of the National Association of Purchasing Agents and acting chief of the Printing and Publishing Branch, W.P.B., addressed the Sales Executives Club of New York City at the Roosevelt Hotel, January 27th. Other speakers on the program included Julius Hirsch of the Research Institute of America, B. C. Forbes of Forbes Magazine, and F. K. Doscher of the Lily-Tulip Cup Corp.

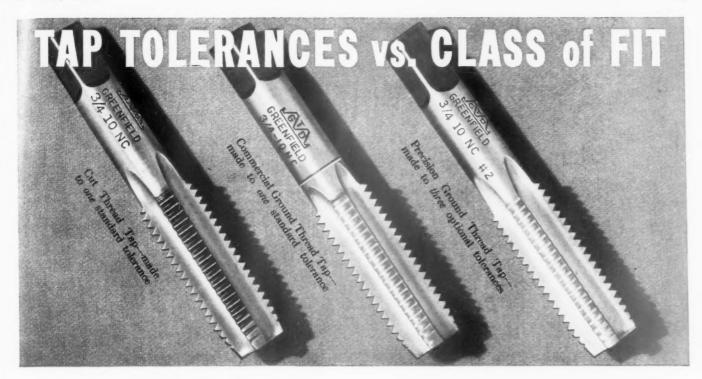
Col. A. B. Quinton, Jr., Assistant Chief of Industrial Service in charge of purchasing for the Ordnance Department, U. S. Army, has been named Assistant Director of Production in the office of the Under Secretary of War. Col. Quinton is a graduate Civil Engineer (Cornell), Mechanical Engineer (M.I.T.), and Master of Business Administration (Harvard). He has been in the Ordnance Department since 1912, served on the staff of the Chief Ordnance Officer of the A.E.F. during the World War, was awarded the Purple Heart and decorated by the French Government.

T. D. Hudson, formerly Purchasing Agent of the Pittsburgh-Conneaut Dock Co., Conneaut, Ohio, has been appointed Assistant Purchasing Agent of the American Steel & Wire Co., Cleveland. Both companies are subsidiaries of the U. S. Steel Corp.

Col. C. D. Young, Vice President in charge of Purchases, Stores and Insurance for the Pennsylvania Railroad, has been appointed head of the Materials and Equipment Section of the Office of Defense Transportation, reporting directly to ODT Director Joseph B. Eastman. Col. Young is also Chief of the Railway Section under the Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army. A graduate of Cornell University in mechanical engineering, Col. Young has been with the Pennsylvania System since 1900, starting in the mechanical department, later taking over purchasing responsibilities and becoming Vice President in 1932. He is a past president of the American Society for Testing Materials. During the World War he served with the 304th Engineers, 79th Division, and for five years from 1924 to 1929 was assigned as chief of the Philadelphia Engineer Procurement Group.

A. W. Hix has been appointed Acting General Purchasing Agent of the Chesapeake & Ohio Lines, with headquarters at Cleveland, Ohio. He is taking the place of R. M. Nelson, who is on leave of absence.

S. E. Mahoney of the British Purchasing Commission, formerly an air raid warden in London, addressed a recent meeting of air raid wardens at Bayside, Long Island, describing methods which had been found most effective in England.



A common source of confusion in tapping is failure to distinguish between CLASS of FIT as applied to the PRODUCT, and PITCH DIAMETER LIMITS as applied to PRECISION GROUND THREAD TAPS. The cause of this confusion doubtless is the fact that both terms involve the use of a similar, but not identical, series of numbers, and that the corresponding numbers have no direct relationship.

CLASS of Work FITS or "Screw Thread Assemblies" are:

No. 1—"Loose" No. 2—"Free" No. 3—"Medium" No. 4—"Close"

Optional Pitch Diameter LIMITS or TOLER-ANCES of Precision Ground Thread Taps are: No. 01, No. 1, No. 2.

The table at the right indicates the taps which normally will produce Class 2 and 3 Fits, the ones most commonly used. Ordinarily, when using Precision Ground Thread Taps it is best to determine what screw assembly fit is required, then the Tap to produce threads for that fit may be selected by trial from the optional tolerances available.

Size	Th	reads Inch	per	Cl	ass	Size	Threads per Inch		Class			
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		18		Cut	CG	5	40			CG	PG	
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		18		Cut	CG	6	32			CG	PG	
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			16	Cut	CG	8	32			CG	PG	
34	10			Cut	CG			36		1	PG	
		16		Cut	CG	10	24				PG	
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Dwight A. Bessmer has been appointed Assistant Director of Purchases for the Timken Roller Bearing Co., Canton, Ohio. Mr. Bessmer is a graduate of the Michigan School of Mines and of the company's special engineering training course. He has been in the purchasing department as a buyer for the past two years, prior to which time he served as automotive sales engineer in the Detroit territory.

Alfred P. Craven has been named Acting Purchasing Agent for Dallas County, Texas, during the absence of County Purchasing Agent B. A. Phillips, who is on leave to serve with the War Production Board in Washington.

Claude Mengel has been appointed Purchasing Agent and office manager of the Horace T. Potts Co., Philadelphia.

George E. Potts, Purchasing Agent of Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa, has been appointed assistant business manager of the college in addition to his purchasing duties.

Percy L. White has been appointed General Purchasing Agent for the Federal Mining & Smelting Co., with head-quarters at the Morning Mine at Mullan, Idaho. He succeeds the late J. H. Burns. Mr. White had served as Assistant Purchasing Agent for several years.

Sir Louis Beale, head of the British Purchasing Commission, was the principal speaker at the 32nd annual banquet of the Beaver County (Penna.) Manufacturers Association, held at the Brodhead Hotel, Beaver Falls.

L. H. Schreiber, Purchasing Agent of the Wrisley Co., addressed a recent meeting of the combined faculties of the Argo, Ill., public schools, outlining aptitude tests used in the selection of personnel, educational qualifications sought by industrial employers, and the advantages of the work-education training plan.

John C. Riley, Jr., has resigned as Purchasing Agent for the Freeport (Texas) Sulphur Co., to accept a position with the International Minerals & Chemical Corp., at Austin, Texas.

Marcus White, Purchasing Agent of the Norton Company, Worcester, Mass., addressed the Seventh Annual Philatelic Congress at Boston on "United States Specimen Envelopes."

L. H. Bittner has been appointed Director of Purchases for the Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp., at Brackenridge, Pa., succeeding E. L. McGraw, who now heads the company's new Scrap & Salvage Department. Mr. Bittner was formerly Purchasing Agent at the company's Dunkirk (N. Y.) plant, and for the past several years has been at the Brackenridge purchasing office. N. W. Hayson has been named Assistant Purchasing Agent.



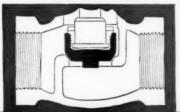
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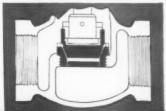
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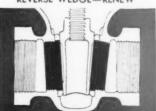
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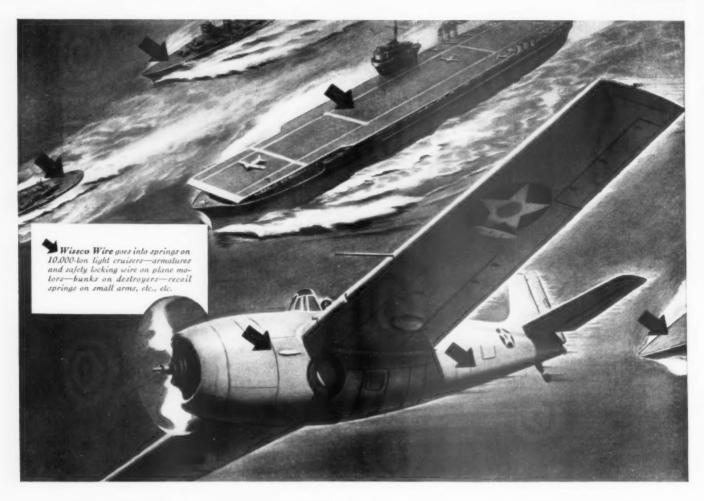
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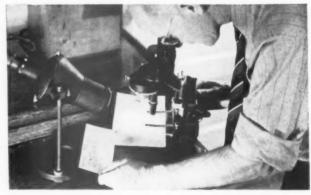


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DESKS AS OFFICE MACHINES

The individual worker's desk is the basic unit in office production equipment; modern design considers functional needs and increasingly complicated procedures.

WHILE the amounts of paper work and the forces of office personnel are going up, the numbers of desks being produced are steadily going down. Desks still are to be purchased in most markets. But in the meantime, the situation is accelerating a trend which was well under way before the war began. That trend has been to organize offices like production shops and to use desks like production machines. And only by following the production line procedure so that every desk serves as a specialized unit can the oncoming volume of work be turned out with the desks and the floor space available.

The days when the loading and organizing of every desk was a matter of the individual whims of its user, have gone into limbo to join the good old times when every machinist did just as he pleased with his engine lathe and every moulder developed his own foundry methods. Modern office procedures are geared to too high speeds to permit many desks to remain "personal".

The greatest danger of the old fashioned "go as you please" way of using desks, is that papers will be lost, delayed or mishandled. And the more the form work in offices increases (as for example, in the requirement of more reports to Washington), and as shortages of supply dictate a more conservative use of paper, the more careful will be the organizing of desks to despatch form work, and the more controlled will be all desk use.

Speed with control requires the elimination of non-essentials so that more of the real essentials may be employed. More and more offices are adopting the policy; nothing more may be on or in

By E. L. CADY

any desk than is needed for the function of that desk. But such policies require studies of desk use.

Over-all size of a desk is usually the first point considered. This, in the good old days, was decided by the dignity or prominence of the person to use the desk, by the floor space available, and by the comparative prices. Now there is more likely to be a study of what is to go on a desk. The desk is selected to be large enough to hold what it must hold, and no larger.

Some of the more modern desks have convertible tops to help solve this top space problem. Such a desk may have a standard chassis which will provide plenty of drawer space for all ordinary purposes, but several tops which may be interchanged to vary the areas of working space. Another type has a roll top, which provides a level and flat working surface when drawn over the normal work surface, a sort of double-deck work surface effect. But in most cases the desk has just one working surface, and this must be the right size or else the employment of floor space and the speed and accuracy of office procedure will be impaired.

The tendency in most offices is toward larger work surfaces. The fact that there is greater use of blue prints, charts and other large papers which must be handled on desks, is one reason for this. Ledgers and the like have more columns to the page and need more desk surface.

A contrary trend towards smaller work surfaces, is sometimes found. This is based partly upon the need to get more people onto less floor space. But also, it has been learned that compactness and even confinement helps concentration—small offices or cubicles often are preferred by editors, accountants, advertising copy writers and engineers. One of the world's largest advertising agencies, formerly boasting of the acres of desks which could be seen from the door, now has its entire creative floor area broken up into cubicles no one of which can contain more than one desk.

A modern way to select desk sizes is to list the kinds of papers to be handled on a desk, allowing adequate space for convenient handling, and then to list the helps, machines or devices which will be used on the desk. And of these latter there is a surprisingly large list.

Accessory Equipment

On the desk of an executive, may be a telephone, blotter, fountain pen holder, dictating machine, mail and file basket stack, and other devices to suit his function and his habits. Each needs space.

The desk of a stenographer usually is of the drop center type, which means that the surface of the desk, or of the desk plus an adjacent table assigned to her, must be large enough for all of her papers and tools when the center of her desk is not available for them.

On stenographers' and other clerical desks are kept, ready for instant use, mail and file baskets, staplers, tackers, copy holders, and other work tools as prime necessities.

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locked compartments, for with the increasing complexities and multiplicities of written forms there is increasing tendency to protect against any tampering with the copies of those which have been written and mailed. Add also rows of reference books, since these are becoming more and more common as business becomes more and more technical.

Business machine makers have obeyed the voice of their market and developed a steady stream of desk models of almost everything. And every desk model needs desk surface to hold it.

A manager of a machine shop office in which only twenty clerks are employed, surveyed his desks and found on them many devices which had not been there ten years ago. Among them were time stamps, dictating machines, scales, tape dispensers, tabulating machines, stamp dispensers, stamp affixers, envelope sealers, addressing machines, letter openers of the electrically operated types, and pedestals holding visible records systems. Upon thinking back, he remembered how every one of these had been bought to solve some kink in office procedure. The one thing he did not see was that old curse of office efficiency, the paper piled desk. His office was as clear of junk and as orderly as his shop. But the desk area per person in that office had increased steadily with the years, and was due shortly to increase some more. He was re-planning his desk layout.

The amount of filing and of records handling done at desks, is increasing steadily, and this has its effect upon the adequacy of desk surfaces. Rapid reference indexes and data forms must be quickly visible. To accomplish this, desk drawers in the pedestals often are eliminated, their places being taken by swinging doors on the backs of which the quick reference devices are fastened to be swung into view whenever needed and to be closed and concealed at all other times. Much of the filing which formerly was done in desk drawers and therefore out of the control of the central files, now is brought to the desks in portable filing cabinets which may be taken back to central files after closing hours or may be locked in vaults if important enough.

Some types of desks are built in anticipation that filing cabinets will be placed at one or both ends of them; these cabinets sometimes have moveable tops which can be slid forward clear of the files when the desks are in use but can be pushed back flush with the files to prevent personnel from bumping into

them when not in use.

Desk Arrangement

The matter of what goes into desk drawers is being as well regulated as what goes on top of desks. For it is in desk drawers that "immediate attention" papers get buried for months. The office manager of a life insurance company remarked that the ideal desk drawer will be made of shatter proof glass or of transparent plastic so that nothing can be mislaid or hidden in it.

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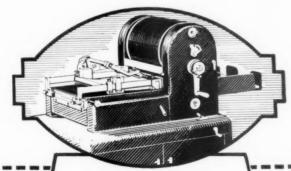
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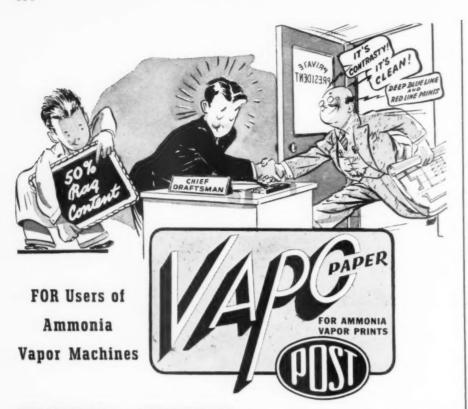
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Multiple shift operation of offices so several persons use the same desk, is reducing the "personalizing" of desk drawer contents. In some cases desks have interchangeable drawers, with one set used by the day shift which takes care of telephone and other immediate work and another set for the night shift which handles the routine or delayable

In these cases the drawers not in use are taken to the files room. Cash drawers for each shift are taken to the vault and locked up when not in use so that each cash clerk can be held individually responsible for accuracy.

The standard six-compartment stationery rack drawers are being found inadequate for the multiplicities of forms now in use. Extra racks are available in ordinary times from the desk makers, and if not available now can readily be made in local carpenter shops.

Much of the need for more compartments comes from the use of pre-col-lated packs of forms complete with carbons and ready for insertion in the typewriter. In some offices these packs, with the extra speed at which they may be handled, make the difference between adequacy and inadequacy of the present stenographic force. But the compartments must be so arranged as to make it easy to find the right pack without any delays for sorting them out.

Positioning of desks in an office, and arrangement of their tops and drawer spaces, all are complicated by the number of electrically powered devices now used on desks. Phones on a few desks, with perhaps buzzers on a few others and lamps on executive desks, used to sum up this problem. And with better overhead lighting, individual lights seemed on their way out even for the executives. Now the electrical systems on ordinary desks may include small switchboards or switches for telephone circuits, lights, signals, dictating machines, power driven calculating machines, mailing machines of assorted types, and so on. Electrically powered typewriters are becoming more common.

Miscellaneous Considerations

Special modern type desks are solving many of the problems of the large or main offices. But in the small, isolated unit office such as may be used by the power plant engineer, the shipping room manager or the chief inspector the old fashioned roll top desk is staging a come back. The roll top with its pigeon holes is the last word in compactness for the man who must make out in longhand many kinds of reports, tags, and the like. The chief accountant of a trade paper publishing office, not able to have a roll top, solves the problem by rows of specially made pigeon holes which are fastened to the wall just above his head, and other executives fill the top middle drawers of flat top desks with extra trays to obtain the same number of handy pockets.

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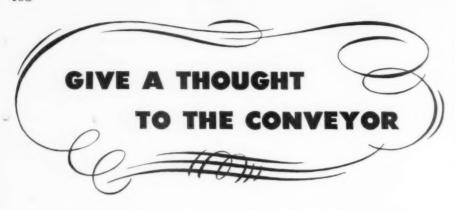
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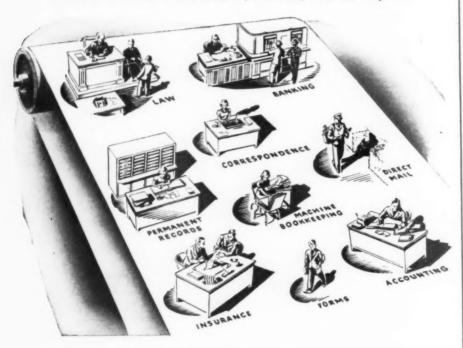
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Noise control to prevent fatigue in offices, must start with typists' desks. No typewriter is noiseless if mounted on a desk which has loose parts. A desk can multiply sound like a drum, and structure-borne noises, transferred from desks to floors, etc., are at once harder to trace and more annoying than air-borne noises. Modern desks are fully insulated against noise, and older desks

can be tightened up and padded.

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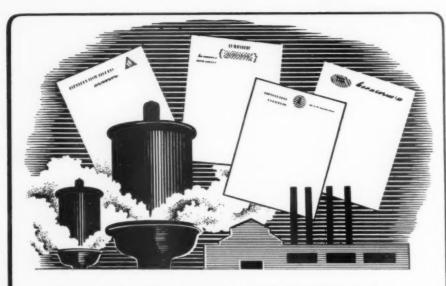
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"This creates a complicated situation. While many potential defense workers are coming to the schools to study, the very materials needed for that study are being used in the war program itself.

"University Purchasing Agents are working overtime trying to find substitutes for all sorts of supplies. Wooden packing boxes are saved to be used as transfer files instead of buying new steel cabinets, for example.

"No longer does the college Purchasing Agent sit in his office waiting for salesmen to call. Instead, he is out visiting pawnshops in search of gauges and other items that can no longer be obtained through regular channels. Faculty members who would have objected to used instruments two years ago are now grateful when we can turn up a pair of calipers found in a Bowery hock shop.
"I have a great regard for an 'Uncle'

in Newark who is doing a beautiful job for us in turning up slightly worn gauges. Even the maintenance department is glad to get pawnshop paint brushes these days."

1 1 1 SUBCONTRACTING FOR DEFENSE

Production is a vital problem today. Any information which contributes to increased efficiency will be welcomed by every company at present handling defense work; more than welcome to manufacturers who want to obtain defense contracts. "Subcontracting for Defense: A Study Prepared in the Interest of Stabilizing Employment," a report just isued by the Policyholders Service Bureau of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, contains such information. This study outlines the methods followed by 28 companies that have been outstandingly successful in meeting the problems of prime contracting or subcontracting. It includes a section on obtaining prime contracts for various types of supplies and equipment required by the Government; describes sources of

information on governmental requirements and on procurement setup and procedure. It discusses the administration of and responsibility for subcontracting in the prime contractor's organization, and steps commonly followed in selecting and scheduling work to be farmed out. The report also shows a variety of sources which primary contractors use to locate and contact subcontractors, and methods adopted for appraising their facilities and skill.

The procedure followed in obtaining a subcontract is thoroughly covered in the report by a presentation of details of the methods used by successful subcontractors. Some of the other points covered are: the assistance typically given by the prime contractor to the subcontractor, production control procedures for both the prime contractor and the subcontractor, and the basis for pricing subcontract work. The study includes a number of practical charts and diagrams illustrating methods and procedures successfully used by contributors to the survey.

A copy of this report is available without charge to executives who request it on their business stationery. Address: Policyholders Service Bureau, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, One Madison Avenue, New York City.

COOPERATION WITH THE SALVAGE PROGRAM

Pledges of participation in the Government's program to salvage materials vital to the war effort are coming in to the War Production Board from retail merchants in all sections of the country at the rate of thousands per day. More than 15,000 replies already have been received from store owners stating that they are cooperating. The rate of return is increasing daily.

Conservation efforts of these retailers involve a thorough house-cleaning of their stores to dispose of all waste materials and the appointment of employees specifically charged with supervision of continued collection and disposal of waste either by sale to dealers or by gift to charities, schools or other organizations.

Merchants who sign the pledge of participation in the salvage program are given the right to display window emblems, sent them by the Bureau, containing the message "This store is helping make weapons from waste by salvaging waste paper, old rags, scrap metal, old rubber."

Stores which have not received pledge cards are requested to write to the Bureau of Industrial Conservation, War Production Board, Washington, D. C.

Frank M. Foy has been appointed Commissioner of Purchases for the City of Cleveland. Mr. Foy served as Deputy Commissioner of Purchases for nine years, and was named Acting Commissioner in March, 1941, after the death of Commissioner Patterson.



NAVY AWARDS GIVEN TO FIRMS FOR OUTSTANDING WORK

Yards have been awarded the Navy "E" pennant in recognition of outstanding performance in the fulfilling of Navy contracts. The eighteen were chosen because they have exceeded production schedules, because of the outstanding quality of their work and general spirit of the personnel and because of other conspicuous services rendered to the Bureau of Ships' program.

The Navy "E" pennant for nearly 40 years has been the honor symbol displayed on ships of the U. S. Navy that have excelled in certain performance tests. Its display is a mark of distinction throughout the Fleets. The Navy "E" is traditionally a competitive award.

In addition many firms working on Naval Ordnance have received the award of the U. S. Navy Bureau of Ordnance Flag

and the Navy "E" pennant, for outstanding work in fulfilling Navy ordnance contracts. Suitable ceremonies have marked the presentation of the awards, and the firms proudly display the flag and pennant below the national ensign.

During the ceremonies attendant upon the presentation of the Navy "E" pennant to the John A. Roebling's Sons Company, Trenton, on January 22, Lieutenant Commander Warren A. Shaw tossed a finger ring made from a German incen-



The flags go up as Admiral W. T. Cluverius, U.S.N., presents Monsanto Chemical Company with the Navy "E" for excellence in production of naval ordnance matériel.

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The Monsanto Chemical Company's plants in Anniston, Alabama, and at Monsanto, Tennessee, received their awards from Admiral Wat. T. Cluverius. The brief ceremonies at each plant, both broadcast over southern radio networks, were carried out without stopping operations and without the loss of any production. The plant at St. Louis also received the award.

The Atha Works of the Crucible Steel Company of America received the coveted Navy "E" award on November 25th. Rear Admiral W. H. P. Blandy presented the award to A. E. Van Cleve, Manager of the Atha Works, before 7,000 employees and citizens. The organization has had outstanding success in the manufacture of projectiles of all calibers, bombs, gun barrels and component parts, and has aided the Government in the development of the world's most modern ordnance equipment.

The McKees Rocks plant of the McKay Company, normally manufacturers of commercial chain and now almost entirely engaged in the fulfillment of Naval contracts, received their award on January 30, 1942. Captain F. L. Oliver, U.S.N. (Ret.), made the presentation to Thomas J. McKay, president of the company.

At the ceremony during which the Navy "F" pennant and the Naval Ordnance flag were awarded to his company, James H. Robins, President of The American Pullev Co., declared that although 25 agencies of the Federal and State Governments come in contact with American Pulley activities, "So far, they have deprived us of just three rights-which we never had any use for anyway. The right to exploit and coerce. The right to misrepresent. The right to mismanage."



Lt. Commander C. A. Misson, U.S.N., awards Navy "E" emblem to Edward Mc-Cauley, representing about 800 employees of the American Pulley Co., Phila., Pa.

American Pulley, leading manufacturer of industrial power transmission equipment and pressed-steel hand trucks, as well as steel ordnance stampings and other war material, is now devoting over 85% of its output to direct or indirect war production. Rear Admiral W. C. Watts, U.S.N., retired, who awarded the penmant, said that "much of the accuracy of our naval gunfire is in your hands."

Nearly 1000 employees and guests of the company were also addressed by U. S. Senator James J. Davis and by Hon. George Wharton Pepper, former U. S. Senator from Pennsylvania.

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Facilities of industrial plants in many sections of the country are being made available this year to help the U. S. Office of Education train thousands of "out-of-school" youths who will hold mechanical jobs during and after the war.

Administered under a \$15,000,000 congressional grant, the program is being centered in non-urban districts where regular trade schools are not available. Direction in each state is under a board of vocational education, which is working with local school boards, industrial firms and other groups to arrange classes.

Typifying industry's cooperation is the class at Frankfort, Ky., where 30 young men are meeting four nights a week at the Schenley Company's machine shop, under direction of plant technicians who are serving as instructors. Arc and acetylene welding, metal forging, elementary electricity, woodworking and motor repair work are included in the course.

It was pointed out that the program would not only provide a reservoir of partially trained manpower for war industry, but that farm youths—who constitute 75% of the trainees—would be better fitted to help maintain existing farm equipment during the war emergency when new machinery is at a premium. Many of the graduates are also taking over the peace-time jobs of small town technicians who have been employed in war industry production.

Philip Stovall has been appointed Purchasing Agent of the Texas Hotel, Fort Worth, Texas, succeeding G. K. Williamson, who resigned to join the staff of the Jack Tar Courts at Hot Springs,

Ora A. Young has been appointed Purchasing Agent for the Towmotor Co., Cleveland. He formerly served in a similar capacity with the Johnson Rubber Co. of Middlefield, Ohio, which closed its plant in January.

Frederick Wahlert, Long I Grotto Post, American Legion, is doing his share in this World War the Second. Mr. Wahlert, who is now president of the Pulmosan Safety Equipment Corporation has arranged that each week he will match for his employees' defense stamps bought on the Postal Savings Plan, until the employees can turn these savings in for a Defense Bond.

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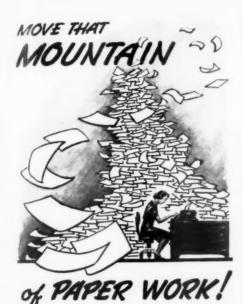




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"Furthermore," says Sanders, "freight car storage is expensive. The average box car contains about 360 sq. ft. of floor space and from 3000 to 3500 cu. ft. of capacity. At \$5.50 demurrage per day, this amounts to 46c per square foot per month. The average rental of space in common storage warehouses costs 3c per sq. ft. per month. This includes a sprinkler system and heat.

"Railroads allow shippers 48 hours free unloading time. After this time has expired, the shipper is allowed four days at \$2.20 per day, exclusive of holidays or Sundays. After this, shippers pay \$5.50 per day including holidays and Sundays."

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A revolutionary new prefabricated concrete construction system designed to smash all records in high speed defense plant construction and described as utilizing a minimum of vital materials was announced here today by W. P. Witherow, Jr., president of The Cemenstone Company, Pittsburgh.

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tem involves specially engineered shapes constituting columns, girders, long or short span floor or roof slabs, and wall panels. These individual units, which fit together to form a building, are made of pre-cast and reinforced concrete of exceptional durability and strength, one foot-square-columns alone having been tested to a load of over 534,000 pounds. With a minimum of effort and expense, plants thus erected can be made larger or smaller, or even dismantled and moved to keep pace with changing con-

"Defense necessity was the mother of our invention," said Mr. Witherow. "There is an urgent need for structures which use a minimum of critical materials and which can be erected with ease and speed, even in the dead of winter. We set out to solve the problem and believe we have the answer."

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NATIONAL OFFICERS AT BOSTON

"National Association Night" was observed by the New England Purchasing Agents Association on February 2nd. Speakers at the dinner meeting included F. Albert Hays of Boston, N.A.P.A. President, George A. Renard of New York, Executive Secretary, and Bernard G. Byrne of Providence, District Vice President.

Mr. Renard emphasized that capable men are the biggest bottleneck in the tremendous job of war production, and predicted that top executives might be drafted from civilian industry to speed up the job. He also predicted rising costs, which would force an upward revision of present price ceilings as maximum production is reached in many industries and no further advantages in unit costs could be expected from greater production volume. Other probable developments are more rigid control of raw materials and the concentration of manufacture of civilian goods in a few efficient plants. Mr. Hayes defended the record of the "dollar a year" men in the defense agencies and took sharp issue with the report of the Truman com-

The 14th annual Industrial Exhibition sponsored by the Association will be held at the Hotel Bradford, Boston, on March 16th and 17th.

1 1 1 PURCHASE-SALES MEETING AT CHICAGO

The second annual Purchasing-Sales Meeting of the Chicago Purchasing Agents Association was held at the Hotel Sherman, February 19th. Patterned after radio's famous "Information Please!" hour, the theme centered upon three principal topics: (1) The relation between buyer and seller; (2) Making sales and sales calls more effective; (3) The War Program-the problems of the war and our Victory program. The program was in charge of V. C. Logan, Branch Manager of Remington-Rand, Inc., and H. L. Brueggemann, Director of Purchases for the Acme Steel Co.

Asking the questions for the sellers was Lee E. Ragsdale, Sales Manager of the Western Union Telegraph Co., and for the purchasers B. B. Countryman, Director of Purchases for the Minnesota Mining & Mfg. Co., St. Paul and Vice President of District No. 3, N.A.P.A.

On the answering end of the questions, the sales experts included Harold C. Buell, General Sales Manager of the American Bank Note Co.; A. G. Philips, General Sales Manager of Allied Mills, Inc.; Alex G. Shennan, Vice President and General Manager, International Tag & Sales Book Co.; and Arthur E. Blackstone, Chicago District Manager of the Dictaphone Corp. The purchasing experts included: R. A. Doyle, Purchasing Agent of the Soya Products Div., Glidden Co.; Carl J. Gross, Assistant Manager in Charge of Purchases, Federal Metals Div. of American Smelting & Refining Co.; F. W. Sinsabaugh, Purchasing Agent of Bradner, Smith & Co.; Van Vechten, Purchasing Agent of United Air Lines. George L. Meyer, Jr., Vice President of Stewart Warner Corp., and General Manager of its Stewart Die Casting Division, answered the questions from the viewpoint of the plant operator.

1 1 1 NEW ORLEANS MEETINGS

Alvin Christovich, Chairman of the Speakers Bureau, Office of Civilian Defense, addressed the Purchasing Agents Association of New Orleans at a dinner meeting, February 9th, at the St. Charles Hotel. His topic "The Important Business of Civilian Defense.

The Association's "Executive Night" meeting was held on February 27th. Speakers were F. Albert Hayes of Boston and J. Frank Kelley of Chattanooga, President and Vice President of the N.A.P.A.

1 1 1 HAYES AT MILWAUKEE

F. Albert Hayes of Boston, President of the N.A.P.A., addressed the February 10th meeting of the Milwaukee Association of Purchasing Agents, at the Elks Club, outlining the responsibilities and opportunities of purchasing men in the national Victory program. B. B. Countryman of St. Paul, Vice President for District No. 3, reported on association activities. An interesting special feature of this meeting was the presentation of certificates to members of the class in purchasing at Marquette University who had successfully completed the course conducted during the past semester un-der the leadership of Prof. George W. Knick and Joseph W. Nicholson, City Purchasing Agent.

1 1 1 LADIES' NIGHT AT BALTIMORE

The Purchasing Agents Association of Baltimore observed its twenty-second annual Ladies' Night with a dinner dance at the Lord Baltimore Hotel on February 20th. A. H. Schultz was chairman of the committee in charge, assisted by L. I. Whiteford, J. Horner, I. J. Jericek, R. A. Anderson, A. J. Peroutka, H. G. Ross, and J. J. Foster.

INTERNATIONAL EXPERT ADDRESSES NEW YORK ASSOCIATION

The February meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association of New York was held at the Builder's Exchange Club on the 17th. Speaker of the evening was James G. McDonald, former head of the Foreign Policy Association and League of Nations High Commissioner for German Refugees, now President of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences. In extensive travels through Europe and the Orient, Mr. McDonald acquired a first hand knowledge of foreign affairs, trends of thought, and outstanding political personalities. This appearance at the New York meeting was a return engagement. Two years ago he spoke on "The War-First Phase." Now his topic is: "This is a Total War."

The meeting was preceded by a forum devoted to current problems in procurement caused by governmental wartime regulations. James L. Crosbie of the Dexter Folder Company was in charge

of the discussion.

1 1 1 ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION

Robert L. Whaley, Regional Business Consultant of the U.S. Department of Commerce, addressed the St. Louis Purchasing Agents Association at the monthly meeting, February 17th, at the York Hotel. He spoke on "The Contribution of the Department of Com-merce to Business in Wartime." William Krueger of the Ralston Purina Company presented the commodity charts and led in a discussion of the business situation and outlook.

1 1 1 ALBANY MEETING

The Purchasing Agents Association of Eastern New York met at the Ten Evck Hotel, Albany, on February 19th. The program was in the form of an open forum discussion on current purchasing problems. James Perry of the Gifford-Wood Company led the discussion on substitute materials, and Willard Jones of Adirondack Foundries & Steel Corp. led the discussion on priorities, with special attention to Priorities Regulation No. 1, the new PD-1a forms, and the Production Requirements Plan.

ZELOMEK ADDRESSES ROCHESTER BUYERS

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A.W. Zelomek, President of the International Statistical Bureau and economic consultant to the N.A.P.A., addressed the February 25th meeting of the Rochester Purchasing Agents Association, at the Rochester Club. Mr. Zelomek analyzed economic factors in the



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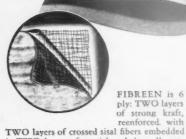
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HAYES AT ST. PAUL

F. Albert Hayes of Boston, President of the N.A.P.A., was the guest of honor and principal speaker at the February 11th meeting of the Twin City Association of Purchasing Agents, held at the St. Paul Athletic Club.

CONNECTICUT BUYERS MEET AT WALLINGFORD

The February meeting of the Connecticut Purchasing Agents Association was held at the Oakdale Tavern, Wallingford, on the 24th. Speaker of the evening was Frank E. Dully of the legal staff of the Travelers Insurance Company, who discussed "America's Future in the Present War."

NORTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA BUYERS DISCUSS PRIORITIES

An address on priorities by Mr. Mayer of the Raymond Mfg. Co., special discussion of Orders P-98 and P-46 by Messrs. Wodrich and McCullough, and a question and answer forum on other priority problems, featured the February 5th meeting of the Northwestern Pennsylvania Association of Purchasing Agents at the Carver House, Warren, Pa. Three new members were accepted at this meeting.

1 1 1 RHODE ISLAND MEETING

Prof. James H. Schoemaker, formerly of Brown University and now associated with the Board of Economic Warfare, Eastern Division, in Washington, addressed the Rhode Island Purchasing Agents Association, February 24th, at the Narragansett Hotel, Providence. His topic was "The War and the Economic Future," Commodity reports included "Brass and Copper" by W. F. Rayment, "Building Materials" by C. T. Allen, and "Twine and Cordage" by A. W. Logan.

1 1 1 MEETING AT SYRACUSE

The Purchasing Agents Association of Syracuse and Central New York met at the Onondaga Hotel, Syracuse, on February 24th. Dr. Eric H. Faigle of Syracuse University spoke on "The Industrial Geography of the United States and Canada." The technicolor sound film "Unfinished Rainbows" was shown through courtesy of the Aluminum Company of America.

1 1 1 LOS ANGELES BUYERS HEAR ABOUT RATIONING

The Los Angeles Association of Purchasing Agents held its monthly dinner meeting at the Elks Club on February 12th. The topic was "Tire Rationing,



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Y Y Y WEISMAN AT PITTSBURGH

Russel Weisman, Professor of Politicical Science at Western Reserve University, Cleveland, addressed the Pittsburgh Purchasing Agents Association at a dinner meeting, February 17th, on the topic, "The Effects of War on American Economy." This meeting was the Association's annual "Assistant's Night," with buyers and others from the members' purchasing staffs present as guests.

BIRMINGHAM ASSOCIATION

Joseph Brady of the Tire Rationing Board explained the new regulations and answered questions about their application, at the February 4th meeting of the Birmingham Association of Parchasing Agents.

The speaker on February 12th was William Bromberg of Bromberg & Co., whose subject was: "Time—the History of Watches."

7 7 7 EXECUTIVE NIGHT BANQUET AT CLEVELAND

The annual Executive Night Banquet of the Cleveland Association of Purchasing Agents was held at the Cleveland Hotel, February 19th, W. E. Bittner of Pittsburgh, Vice President of N.A.P.A. for District No. 6, represented the national organization and spoke from the purchasing viewpoint, while the guest speaker was Strickland Gillian, well known humorist and philosopher.

SAN FRANCISCO PROGRAMS

The February meeting schedule of the Northern California Purchasing Agents Association included: A luncheon meeting on the 5th, at which Raymond Reeves, business consultant of the San Francisco Regional Office of the U.S. Department of Commerce, discussed "Purchasing Agents in a War Economy" The annual joint luncheon meeting with the Golden Gate Paint, Oil & Varnish Club, at which Jack Stanton, head of the Hotel and Restaurant Division of the Wine Institute, spoke on the wine industry of California; A priorities forum on the 19th, led by H. Leland Weber of Fibreboard Products, Inc., chairman of the Association's Priority Committee; and a luncheon meeting on the 26th, at which Norman Livermore showed colored motion pictures of travel and adventure in the Himalavas, Idaho, and the high Sierras.

The monthly dinner meeting was held at the St. Francis Hotel on the 19th. Speaker of the evening was Paul E. Holden, Professor of Industrial Management at the Stanford University Graduate School of Business, recently







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returned from nine months of service as advisor to the Priorities Division of the Office of Production Manage ment in Washington.

The East Bay Group held three luncheon meetings in Oakland during the month. The programs included: a colored sound movie, "Blowpipes," depicting the manufacture of glassware presented by Frank Yeo, manager of the Dohrmann Hotel Supply Company through the courtesy of the Libbey Glas-Company; a talk on "Industrial Safety and Its Importance During the Present Emergency," by George Meilink, general manager of the First Aid Service Co. and a talk on "Consumer Credit" by R. A. Peterson, Vice President of the Bank of America.

1 1 1 CONFERENCE OF CALIFORNIA PUBLIC BUYERS

The Eighteenth annual conference of the California State, County and Municipal Purchasing Agents' Association was held at San Diego, February 19, 20, and 21. Highlights of the convention program included:

Forum: "Problems of the Governmental Buyer," led by Al J. Holm, City

Purchasing Agent, Los Angeles.
Address: "What's Ahead for Taxpayers," by N. Bradford Trenhan, Executive Secretary, California Taxpayers' Association.

Address and Forum: "Priorities and Allocations," by Col. Wayne R. Allen, Chief Administrator and Purchasing Agent, County of Los Angeles, now on service with the Division of Civilian Supply, War Production Board.

Address: "The Magnitude of Problems Facing San Diego Due to De-Activities," by Walter Cooper, City Manager, San Diego.

Address and Discussion: "Standard Specifications and Substitutes," by J. M. McCool, Assistant Purchasing Agent, County of Los Angeles.

Address and Discussion: "The Enemy Act Endorsement for Invoices,"

Grant Goodale, Assistant Purchasing Agent, State of California, Los Angeles. Reports: "The 1941 National Convention," by Ed Chambers, Executive Secretary, Purchasing Agents Association of Northern California, and Arthur Baker, Executive Secretary, Los Angeles Purchasing Agents Association. Address: "The Importance of Mem-

bership in the National Association of Purchasing Agents," by Robert L. Grube, Purchasing Agent of the Stephens-Adamson Mfg. Co., Los Angeles, and Vice President of N.A.P.A. for District No. 1.

Report of the Legislative Committee, by J. F. Mispley, Purchasing Agent, State of California, Sacramento.

1 1 1 LYONS ADDRESSES M.P.A.C.

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New York City, February 10th. His subject was "Current Purchasing and Priority Organization Procedure.

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EXECUTIVE NIGHT MEETING AT AKRON

The Akron Purchasing Agents Association held its annual Executive Night meeting at the Akron City Club, February 18th. Speaker of the evening was Albert Haves of Boston, President of N.A.P.A.

SALESMEN'S NIGHT AT BUFFALO

The February 11th meeting of the Buffalo Purchasing Agents Association was designated as Salesmen-Buyers' Night. John L. Davis, humorist and philosopher, was the guest speaker.

On February 4th, the educational committee sponsored another program in the lecture series. The speaker was Dr. Martin A. Brumbaugh of the University of Buffalo, economic advisor to the association. His topic was, "Industry's Readiustment to Defense.

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS BUYERS MEET AT SPRINGFIELD

Cy Caldwell, military analyst and aviation expert, addressed the February 12th meeting of the Western Massachusetts Purchasing Agents Association at the Kimball Hotel, Springfield. He discussed the present World War situation in terms of "Air Power vs. Sea Power.

PRICE REGULATIONS DISCUSSED AT DALLAS MEETING

William H. Brooks, assistant to the Regional Director, and Edward Crane, Regional Attorney for OPA, addressed a meeting of the Dallas Purchasing Agents Association last month, outlining the organization of the Dallas office of OPA and its functions in price control. A motion picture showing the construction of the Shasta Dam in California was also presented.

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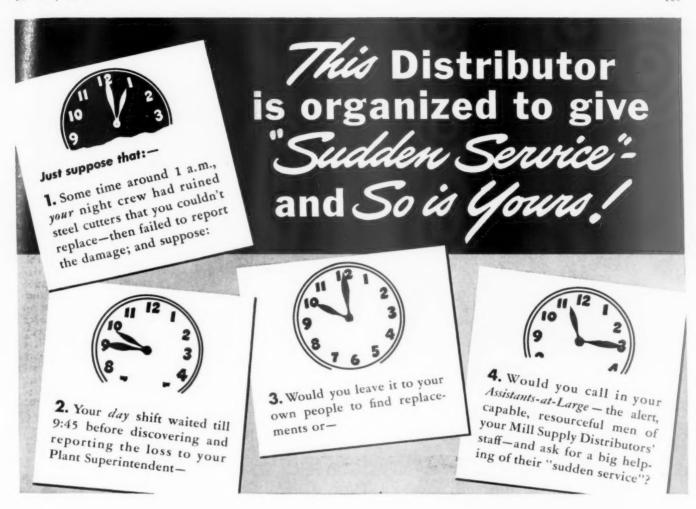
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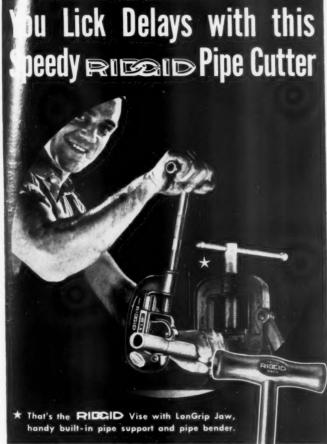
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Reflecting the changed conditions of buying under emergency wartime conditions and regulations, the rigid purchasing requirements of the Nassau County (N. Y.) charter have been revised on the recommendation and approval of County Executive J. Russel Sprague, Purchasing Agent E. Stanley Bosanko, and County Attorney Marcus G. Christ. The changes relax the provisions relating to the publication of notices and receipt of bids. Heretofore, the Purchasing Agent was required to wait ten days to receive bids on items more than \$1,500 in value after publication of notice. Under the terms of the new resolution, this waiting time is reduced to three days.

The procurement of some materials and supplies vital to defense, public health and police activities has not only been delayed by the earlier provision, but higher prices have been occasioned because of rapidly changing commodity markets. The action thus expedites the buying procedure and at the same time eliminates some unnecessary extra costs to the county.

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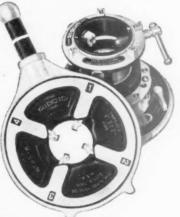


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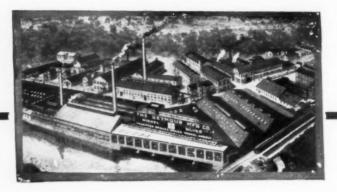


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The Evening School of Busines. Northeastern University, Boston, Mass announces a course in industrial purchasing. The instructor is Wyman S Randall, Purchasing Agent of Rus Craft Publishers, Boston, a past president of the New England Association.

BUILD UP COAL STOCKS

Large users of coal and coke, especially utilities and industrial users, are being urged by the Division of Industry Operations, WPB, to build up their inventories as much as possible to avoid the danger of having to suspend operations in case of an emergency.

General Inventory Order M-97, issued February 13th, revokes the inventory restrictions imposed by Priorities Regulation No. 1 insofar as they apply to coal and coke. This order was issued upon recommendation of the Office of Solid Fuel Coordinator.

The order will enable large users to take advantage of the fact that there is at present considerable excess production of coal and coke, and transportation available for distribution of these materials.

Inventory restrictions are relaxed for coal and coke only. Inventories of all other materials must be kept to a practical working minimum in accordance with the terms of Priorities Regulation No. 1.

CAREFUL DRIVING

If you want your tires to give you extra miles of service, take it easy on the curves. This is the warning to American motorists issued by P. W. Litchfield, Chairman of the Board of Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, whose experience in the rubber industry covers a span of more than forty years.

On one of the main highways between Akron and Cleveland, a distance of thirty-five miles, there are eighty curves. Sweepings from these curves have been collected, analized and compared with sweepings taken from straight stretches on the same highway. This test revealed that tire wear on curves is 1200% greater than on the straightaway.

The most important factors in tire life, Mr. Litchfield pointed out, are speed, overloading, underinflation, wheel alignment, brake equalization, "jack rabbit" starts and abrupt braking. When automobile speeds are reduced, the rate of tire wear declines sharply. Goodyear research men have estimated that the average tire on a new car will give about 30,000 miles of service if it is



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Pittsburgh:

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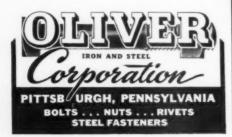
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driven at an average speed of 35 miles per hour whereas if that average speed is 50 miles per hour the tire will wear out at 20,100 miles

"There are one hundred and ten million tires and tubes on the streets and highways of America today," Mr. Litchfield points out. "If each driver would reduce his average speed by 10 miles per hour he would get about 6,300 extra miles out of his tires and this would add up to a total of almost seven hillion extra tire miles for the nation as a whole. Since it may be a long time before we can replace the tires now on the road, motorists would do well to discipline their driving habits."

CITY PURCHASING REPORT FOR MILWAUKEE, 1941

During the year 1941 approximately \$3,450,000 worth of materials, supplies, equipment and minor services were purchased or contracted for by the Central Board of Purchases and Department. This amount is approximately \$250,000 less than last year's purchases. This reduction is due to the decline in WPA requirements. Cash discounts for prompt payment of bills amounted to approximately \$21,500. This is \$500. less than last year which is in proportion to the decrease in volume of business.

At the suggestion of the City Comptroller and the City Purchasing Agent, a plan of centralized control for all city-owned warehouses and storerooms was approved by the Central Board of



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Kinds:

- (a) For Phillips screws
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- (a) For regular screw stock
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Styles:

To fit all sizes of screw heads

HAND DRIVERS

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Types:

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Purchases. Honorable Carl F. Zeidler, Mayor and Chairman of the Central Board of Purchases, appointed a special committee to study this matter with a view of obtaining the necessary legal authority to centralize this control. Hon, John L. Bohn, President of the Common Council and a member of the Central Board of Purchases, is the chairman of the committee. If this plan is approved by the Common Council, it will follow the lead of the City of New York and the County of Los Angeles, where store-keeping was centralized in the Department of Purchases and the number of storehouses was reduced to a minimum.

As a move to assist the National Defense Program, a committee consisting of Walter M. Swietlik, Commissioner of Public Works, Mr. James Barr, Secy. of the Board of Estimates, and the City Purchasing Agent, has been assigned to study the use of substitute materials in municipal work. Particular study is being made of the simplification of office forms and the possibilities for a reduction in the amount of paper used. During the past year the purchasing department has found it increasingly more difficult to obtain many materials widely used by the City owing to the fact that they are on Federal priority lists,

The purchasing department has altered many office forms during the past year, effecting considerable savings. Sizes were changed, eliminating waste by cutting from standard sizes. After

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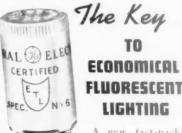
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consulting with department heads, paper of more adaptable weights and qualities were substituted when requisitions for standard forms were received.

Closer scrutiny has been given lumber deliveries to insure receipt of the grade ordered. In this connection also, many changes were made in the quality or species ordered. It was found that many requisitions called for lumber which was too good or not good enough for the purpose intended.

A central scrap yard was suggested but the idea may be shelved owing to the high cost of hauling materials to a central yard. Prices of scrap materials have increased considerably and the purchasing department has made every effort to ferret out, collect and sell all available scrap. One man was assigned to the task of inspecting all yards and storerooms for the purpose of determining what materials could be sold for scrap. Department heads were given his reports and were asked to give their approval to sell all items which they knew would be of no further use to them. After receiving this approval the purchasing department advertised for bids and made awards to the highest bidders. During the past eleven months the City realized a total of \$22,523.27 in cash for the scrap sold. This is approximately \$10,000 below the 1940 total which was greatly augmented by the sale of materials from the Kilbourn Avenue Widening Project.

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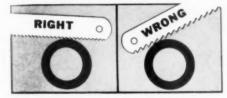
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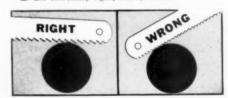
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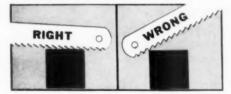
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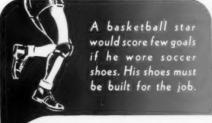
advertised and the award made on October 29, 1941 for the 1942 July Fourth celebration. The same is true of United States flags for the Fourth of July celebration. This contract was awarded on November 26, 1941.

The by-laws of the Purchasing Board were amended during the past year in order to reduce emergency purchases as much as possible as it is realized that they are costly. Prices are generally lower when purchases are made in large quantities. Also when orders are placed far enough ahead, vendors can make deliveries in the regular course of their routine without making special trips.

The City Purchasing Agent served as a consultant for the Federal Office of Price Administration and also assisted in organizing the Federal Consumer Division of O.P.A. This division recommends to civilians the use of substitutes, the conservation of materials and methods of cutting household budgets.

The Coordinated Purchasing Board of Milwaukee County which was established a year ago has moved ahead with considerable impetus during this past year. This Board consists of representatives of eighteen municipalities and school districts in Milwaukee County, and the County government. The object of the Board is to decrease the operating cost of government services by pooling requirements and buying commodities jointly. In most communities where coordinated purchasing is

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being carried on, it is an extra-legal function, allowed to exist by virtue of public approval. However, in the State of Wisconsin the following section of the Wisconsin Statute (Section 66.30) provides for the legality of this type of purchasing:

"Local cooperation. Any city, village, town, county or school district may, by action of the governing body thereof, enter into an agreement with any other such governmental unit for the joint or cooperative exercise of any power or duty required or authorized by statute, and as part of such agreement may provide a plan for prorating any expenditures involved."

VAN EATON IS APPOINTED PROPERTY CUSTODIAN

Harold D. Van Eaton, Supervisor of Purchases for the State of Washington, has been named State Property Custodian in addition to his purchasing duties. The newly created office will supervise a plan of inventory control, maintaining records of all state property, especially office equipment, machinery and supplies. It is expected that this annual check-up will make possible the creation of a "pool" of surplus equipment from which all state departments may draw their requirements, eliminating the purchase of duplicate equipment and supplies. Mr. Van Eaton also holds the office of Assistant Director of Finance, Business and Budget in the state administrative organization,

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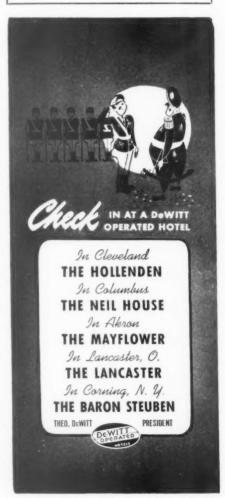


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The plan is designed to accomplish the following purposes:

1. To utilize to the maximum possible extent the experience and ability of the Tool Engineers of the United States in connection with war efforts.

2. To make available the experience and ability of Tool Engineerswithout cost to the Federal Government in solving such problems as: A. Tooling up for and speeding war production.

B. Spreading of sub-contracts and utilization of idle plant capacity.

C. Technical aspects of War Production training in the fields of Tool Engineering, Tool Design, and Machine Shop Practice.

The plan which will make available to federal agencies the services of the close to 10,000 Tool Engineers comprising the membership of the A.S.T.E. has been under consideration for some time and the necessary preliminary work to test its feasibility has already been completed.

Under the plan, the individual experience and abilities of the Society's entire



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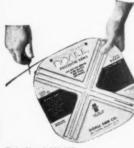
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membership will be catalogued geographically and made available to local as well as centralized units of Federal production, educational, and contract agencies through the already assured voluntary and confidential cooperation of the individual Tool Engineers. By reference to the files to be furnished to each local OPM and A.S.T.E. office, names of Tool Engineers having specific experience with any particular problem on which assistance is needed will be immediately available.

SUBCONTRACTING EXHIBITS

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Subcontracting exhibits of the Contract Distribution Branch, WPB, have been opened in eighteen cities for the convenience of manufacturers seeking to place their production facilities into vital war work. These exhibits show actual samples of parts which are needed on prime contracts in the area and which are available for subcontracting. Qualified officers are in attendance to assist the manufacturer and to put him in touch with the prime contractor. The exhibits are kept up to date as contracts are let or as new requirements arise. The location of exhibits already open or scheduled to open by March 1st is as follows:

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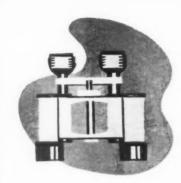
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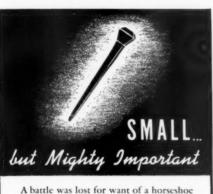
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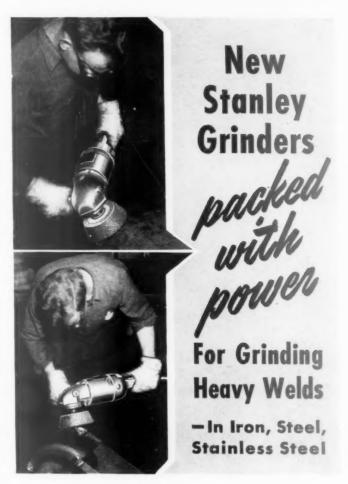
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(4) When the written order of the buyer contained no arbitration clause, but the written confirmation of the seller did, and the buyer retained the seller's confirmation without objection, and subsequently the goods are delivered, an arbitration agreement exists.

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Basing-Point Prices

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to justify the basing-point pricing system in a negative manner by attempting to prove that since competition in an industry is impossible, the basing-point pricing system is justified since it is a form of monopolistic competition, thus begging the question. With respect to the "vested interests" argument, the argument, it is pointed out, is economically unsound since it would permit the continuance of uneconomic conditions in an industry due originally to an unsound pricing policy, at any rate, the argument is only of a secondary, negative and defensive character.

This already-long recitation of the conflicting contentions in the economic justification of the basing-point pricing system can well be extended indefinitely. Enough has already been indicated, however, to demonstrate to even the most casual inquirer that the issue of economic justification is not a simple one, to be settled in an out-of-hand manner by the simple

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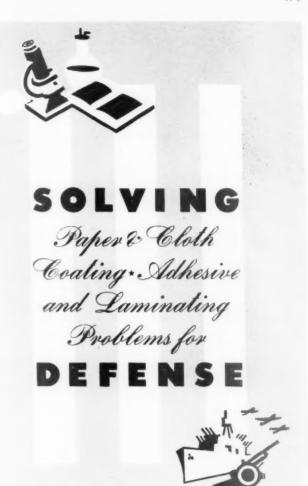
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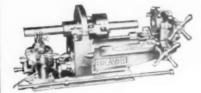
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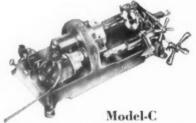


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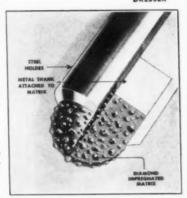
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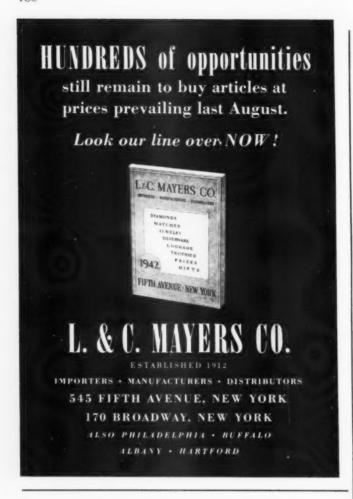
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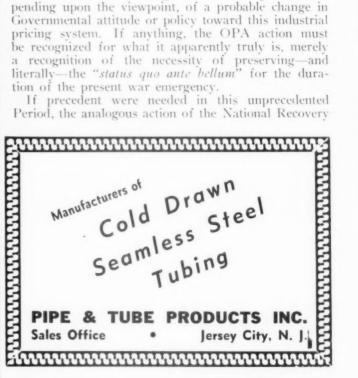




administrative action of some Governmental agency. The issue still remains to be finally resolved by some authoritative or conclusive determination in favor of one or the other camp of conviction. The lines have been too tightly drawn, the feelings are too tense, and the economic stakes are too great. One can hardly surpass in deep-seated conviction and bitter contention, for example, the following statement of the Federal Trade Commission, having reference to the favorite object of its attacks, the basing-point pricing system in the steel industry:

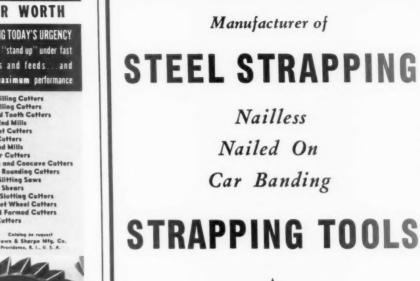
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In light of this discussion, therefore, it must necessarily be concluded that the action of the OPA in promulgating Price Schedules recognizing the basingpoint pricing system in the particular industries is neither a welcome harbinger nor a fatal portent, depending upon the viewpoint, of a probable change in a recognition of the necessity of preserving—and literally—the "status quo ante bellum" for the dura-









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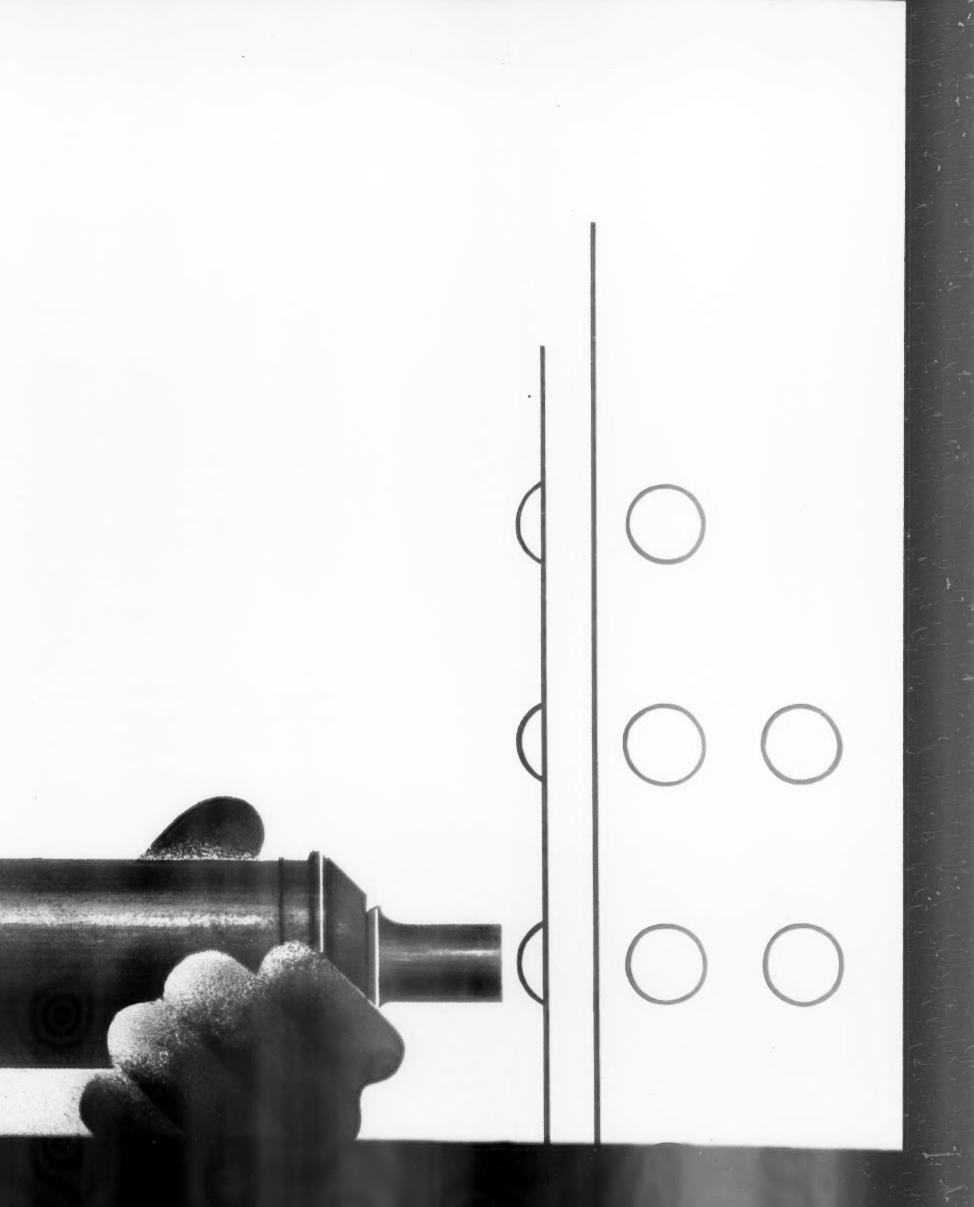


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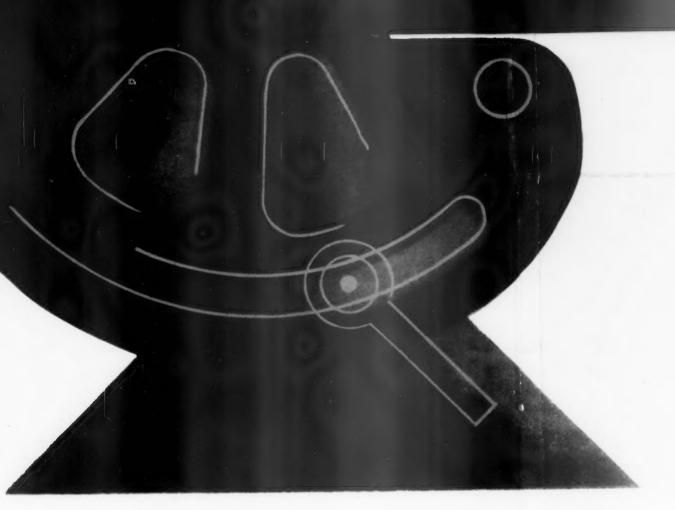








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